

Cynthia Schnedar

Principal, Regulatory Compliance



BACKGROUND

- Formerly Director of the Office of Compliance for FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)

AWARDS

- FDA Commissioner's Special Citation and the FDA CDER Special Recognition Award in 2015. Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award in 2009

EXPERIENCE

- 30 years of experience as an expert in compliance issues

With more than 30 years of experience as an expert in compliance issues – including more than 20 years in leadership positions in the government – Cynthia adds to Greenleaf Health's prestige as Principal, Regulatory Compliance.

Cynthia was formerly Director of the Office of Compliance for FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), where she led a staff of more than 300 doctors, scientists, manufacturing experts, pharmacologists, attorneys, and administrative staff. During her time at FDA, she spearheaded efforts to protect the American public from unsafe and ineffective drug products by ensuring that companies comply with federal standards for quality and safety. Among her many duties, Cynthia advised the FDA Commissioner, the CDER Director, and other senior FDA officials on significant enforcement issues.

Before joining FDA in 2014, Cynthia spent more than two decades at the Department of Justice (DOJ), where she specialized in compliance and enforcement issues. Her most recent position at DOJ was as Deputy Inspector General and Acting Inspector General, where she led a nationwide staff in investigating allegations of corruption and misconduct concerning DOJ's employees and in conducting independent performance and compliance audits of the Department's operations and programs. She communicated significant findings from the investigations and reviews to the Attorney General and to Congress.

Cynthia's other positions at DOJ also provided her with an extensive background in criminal and civil enforcement work. They included Counselor to the Inspector General, Deputy Chief of the Sex Offense and Domestic Violence Section in the U. S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, Assistant U. S. Attorney, and Trial Attorney in the Civil Fraud Section of the Civil Division.

Previously, Cynthia clerked for a federal judge on the Ninth Circuit and worked as a television reporter in New Mexico and Texas. Cynthia earned a B.A., with distinction, from the University of New Mexico and a J.D., with honors, from the University of Texas School of Law.