

## INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY | 24-087

Findings of Misconduct by a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Executive Assistant for Misuse of Position, Prohibited Association with a Former DEA Confidential Source, and Soliciting and Accepting Gifts from the Former DEA Confidential Source.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation after receiving information from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) alleging that a DEA Executive Assistant had developed and maintained a friendship with a former DEA confidential source, and used that relationship to obtain access to expensive sporting events.

The OIG investigation substantiated the allegation that the DEA Executive Assistant had developed a prohibited relationship with a former DEA confidential source, in violation of DEA policy. The OIG investigation also found that the DEA Executive Assistant had used their position to cultivate the friendship, and then used the friendship to seek and obtain tickets to expensive sporting events, in violation of DEA policy and federal ethics regulations.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the DEA for appropriate action.

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Unless otherwise noted, the OIG applies the preponderance of the evidence standard in determining whether DOJ personnel have committed misconduct.