

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY | 25-013

Findings of Misconduct by Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) for Misuse of Position, Misuse of Government Property, Improper Acceptance of Gifts, and Misuse of Government Travel Card, While on Detail Overseas

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation upon receipt of information from the Criminal Division, alleging that an Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA), while on detail overseas, misused the AUSA's position and government property and improperly accepted gifts in planning and hosting an awards ceremony that was neither sponsored nor authorized by the U.S. government. During the investigation, the OIG received information that the AUSA had misused the AUSA's government travel card by using it for disallowed charges, including parking, meals, baggage, and hotel stays, resulting in revocation of travel card privileges.

The OIG investigation substantiated the allegations that the AUSA misused the AUSA's position and government property and improperly accepted gifts, in violation of federal ethics regulations and State Department policies that applied to the AUSA. The OIG investigation also substantiated that the AUSA misused the AUSA's government travel card, in violation of GSA travel card policies and Criminal Division policies that applied to the AUSA. Criminal prosecution of the AUSA was declined.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the Executive Office for United States Attorneys and the Department's Professional Misconduct Review Unit for appropriate action, and to the Criminal Division for its information.



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