



Inspector General

2025-0011-INV1-P — Fraudulent Medical Documentation

Suspected Violations of the Architect of the Capitol (AOC) “Standards of Conduct” and “Absence and Leave” Policies. Substantiated

On March 27, 2025, the AOC Office of Inspector General (OIG) received allegations that an AOC employee submitted multiple fraudulent medical documents to justify the use of unscheduled leave.

The AOC OIG initiated an investigation into a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 287, False, fictitious or fraudulent claims, as well as AOC policy, including Order 752-2, Standards of Conduct, April 25, 2014, and Order 630-1, Absence and Leave Policy, August 20, 2021.

Documentary evidence determined that only one out of seven appointments the individual had submitted documentation for was legitimate. The medical practice had no record of the other six appointments the individual claimed to have attended.

Additionally, during an interview with the OIG, the employee admitted to creating and submitting the fraudulent medical documents.

The OIG’s investigation determined that the individual’s actions constituted a violation of the AOC Standards of Conduct and Absence and Leave Policies. The OIG referred its findings of false claims to the U.S. Attorney’s Office (USAO) in Washington, D.C. for potential prosecution. The USAO declined to prosecute due to the availability of administrative remedies, prosecutorial discretion, and competing priorities.

Final Management Action: The OIG substantiated that the individual violated AOC policy and the administrative violations were submitted to the Architect of the Capitol for action deemed appropriate. On January 27, 2026, the OIG was notified that the employee received a 10-workday suspension. The case is closed.