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2018-0012-INVI-P - Government Ethics; Standards of Conduct; and Personal Property Manual: Substantiated

The Architect of the Capitol (AOC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation based on information received from an AOC manager who received a complaint from an individual who requested confidentiality. The confidential source reported that an AOC employee had an AOC Honda generator and other AOC property at their residence located in Maryland.

The AOC OIG obtained consent from a relative to search the shed located at the employee's residence in Maryland. The residence was jointly owned by the relative and the subject of this investigation at the time of search. Through testimony and confiscation of physical evidence, we identified the AOC employee violated AOC Orders and policies when they removed AOC property for personal use. The equipment recovered consisted of a Honda generator (\$1,400), water pump (\$115) and two handsaws (\$26 and \$27). The estimated total value of the AOC property is \$1,568. This property had been missing from the AOC for approximately eight years and was never identified as missing by the AOC.

Final Management Action: The subject of the investigation served a two-day suspension on September 27 and September 28, 2018. This investigation has been closed.