

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY | 23-079

Findings of Misconduct by an OIG Supervisory Employee for Failing to Timely Report the Employee's Arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation of an OIG supervisory employee after the OIG found indications that the supervisory employee had failed to timely report an arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol, as required by OIG and DOJ policy. DOJ and OIG policy require, respectively, that employees report any arrest immediately/within no more than three days.

The OIG investigation concluded that the supervisory employee failed to timely report the employee's arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol, in violation of OIG and DOJ policy. The OIG investigation found that the supervisory employee did not report the arrest until six days after its occurrence, after the supervisory employee was prompted by an OIG-wide email reminder regarding reporting requirements that coincidentally happened to be sent that day.

The OIG issued the supervisory employee a Letter of Caution, which placed the employee on notice about the conduct in question and that any future incidents of this nature could result in formal disciplinary action, up to and including removal from federal service.



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