

## **Summary: Alleged Perjury By BLM Official Unfounded**

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The OIG investigated an allegation that a senior official with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) committed perjury while testifying in an official capacity at a Federal trial in 2017. In a motion to dismiss, the defense quoted a 2008 letter signed by the official that, according to the defense, proved the official's testimony was untruthful.

We confirmed that some of the official's testimony contradicted the letter, but we found no evidence that the official knowingly provided false information during the testimony. While the official did sign the 2008 letter quoted in the defense's motion to dismiss, she did not write the letter, nor did she review or discuss it before providing her testimony in 2017.

This is a summary of an investigative report we issued to the BLM Deputy Director.

