

# **Summary: Report of Ethical Misconduct by NPS Superintendent Unfounded**

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The OIG investigated allegations that a National Park Service (NPS) superintendent abused his authority by using Federal funds to replace the driveway and perform grounds cleanup at his Government-leased quarters, and that he violated safety regulations and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 regarding renovations made to his office.

We did not substantiate the allegations against the superintendent. We found the superintendent acted within his authority when he directed the use of Federal funds to replace the driveway and perform maintenance at his Government-leased quarters. We also found that replacing the driveway and contracting for the grounds cleanup was appropriately justified and approved by the superintendent's supervisor. Finally, we found no evidence the superintendent violated safety regulations or the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 during the renovation of his office.

This is a summary of an investigative report that we provided to the NPS Deputy Director.

