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### **INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

#### **Findings of Misconduct by an FBI Senior Executive for Violating Federal Conflict of Interest Rules, Failure to Report Source of Spouse's Income, and Related Misconduct**

The Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation of a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) senior executive based on information it received that, among other things, the executive had not properly recused herself from matters involving a contract company that employed her husband.

The OIG investigation found that the executive failed to disqualify herself from participating in matters involving the FBI contractor that employed her husband, and that she created the appearance of a conflict of interest by failing to obtain a waiver allowing such participation. The OIG also found that the executive directed subordinate employees to draft official records stating that she was recused from matters involving the contractor, when in fact she took no official action to do so, or to obtain the required waiver. Prosecution was declined.

In the course of its investigation, the OIG also found that the executive failed to report the source of her husband's earned income on annual federal ethics filings, as required by federal ethics regulations and FBI policy, over the period from 2010 through 2014. The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the FBI for appropriate action.

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