

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We investigated an allegation that a former NSF employee¹ ("Subject") had received a consulting fee and travel expenses from an active NSF award.² Specifically, according to the annual report,³ the NSF employee served as a panelist to review and provide feedback and future directions on the project. Further, the report showed that the former NSF employee was provided a one-day consulting fee and travel expenses by the grant.

We requested and received confirmation of the Subject's resignation date. According to the records that we received from the grantee, the grantee paid the Subject a consultant fee and travel expenses after the effective date of the Subject's resignation. Moreover, the consultant fee was within the applicable Maximum Daily Consultant Rate of Pay.

Given that the Subject was not employed at NSF at the time that she received the consultant fee and travel expenses, and that the consultant rate was within the permissible pay range, it was determined that this matter should be closed.

Accordingly, this case is *closed*.

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