



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A12070048

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NSF OIG received an allegation that an IPA¹ violated conflict of interest rules and the anti-representation statute by contacting the program directors² for an award to his home institution³ while still an IPA at NSF. An OGC official,⁴ who was informed of the email, instructed directorate officials⁵ to terminate the IPA. In addition NSF contacted our office in regard to this matter.

We reviewed the relevant email and interviewed the two POs and a directorate official.⁶ We determined that the agency's termination of the IPA adequately protected the interests of NSF. Accordingly, this case is closed with no further action taken.

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