



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION  
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A13040056

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Our office received an allegation that a proposal<sup>1</sup> was submitted with a falsified letter of support. In this case, the letter of support was from another department within the university. The PI<sup>2</sup> removed the original date from a letter of support for a previous proposal and submitted it with the new proposal.

The university reviewed the matter and determined that although it was not an acceptable research practice, the PI's actions did not rise to the level of research misconduct. However, the PI received a written admonishment that was placed in his personnel file.

We believe that the university's actions adequately protect the interests of the federal government. Therefore, this case is closed with no further action taken.

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