



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-04090030

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OIG received information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation¹ indicating that while conducting an unrelated investigation they had obtained information indicating that a sexual harassment lawsuit may have been settled using NSF funds from an award that closed in 2000².

Our review of the award jackets identified several references³ to the possible use of NSF funds to settle a lawsuit filed by a former employee of the project. The information reviewed indicated that the matter was resolved in 1999.

Additionally, we reviewed an audit report that was completed in January 1999 and found "the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and fund balances arising from the cash transactions of the project for the forty-one months ended January 31, 1999...."⁴

Although the time lapse since the award closed prevented us from locating the financial records for the award, the information contained in the jacket and the audit report indicate that this matter was reviewed at that time and found to be resolved.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

