



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION  
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

**CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

Case Number: I09110069

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We received an allegation that a PI<sup>1</sup> on several NSF awards<sup>2</sup> was misusing NSF award funds and making false statements to NSF. Our investigation revealed the Subject made numerous misrepresentations to NSF regarding the use of employees on the awards. Further, our investigation revealed that the Subject requested NSF funds that he did not need or use, As a result of both the misrepresentations and the receipt of unnecessary funds, Subject retained profit beyond the 7% that is permissible under the SBIR program.

The matter was referred to the Department of Justice and a civil settlement was reached. As part of the settlement the Subject did not admit any wrongdoing but did repay the United States an agreed upon amount.

The Subject was debarred by NSF for a period of five years.<sup>3</sup>

This investigative case is closed with no further action necessary.

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