## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## **CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

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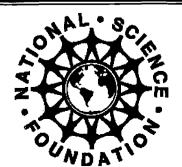
There was no closeout written at the time this case was closed. The following information was extracted from the file in conformance with standard closeout documents.

Our office was informed that the subject was alleged to have embezzled \$30,500.00. The subject plead guilty and died<sup>2</sup> prior to sentencing. \$34,194.71 was recovered from the company.<sup>3</sup>

The attached documents constitute the closeout for this case.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> M2SE

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JOHN HAMPDEN MORTON, JR., also known as, John H. Morton FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

The investigation involving subject John Hampden Morton, Jr., also known as (aka) John H. Morton, was predicated upon information received from the National Science Foundation - Office of Inspector General (OIG), indicating Morton had embezzled monies from the Minorities In Mathematics, Science and Engineering (M<sup>2</sup>SE) Program at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio. The M<sup>2</sup>SE is a federally funded organization which assists minorities at the University of Cincinnati.

The program director for M<sup>2</sup>SE advised Morton was employed as a Financial Director for M<sup>2</sup>SE from October 28, 1991, until mid-December, 1991. The program director further provided copies of M<sup>2</sup>SE bank documents indicating Morton had embezzled approximately \$35,000.00.

The joint National Science Foundation - OIG/FBI investigation further proved Morton had embezzled monies while employed for  $M^2SE$ . Morton later provided a signed statement to the National Science Foundation - OIG and FBI Agents admitting to taking monies from  $M^2SE$ .

Subsequent to providing Agents with a signed statement, Morton fled to Los Angeles, California, where he was arrested by FBI Agents. Morton entered a plea of guilty to a five count Information charging him with violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 641 (Embezzlement of Government Funds), in the Central District of California, pursuant to Rule 20.

Morton's sentencing was continued on several occasions because Morton was dying from the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and on November 9, 1992, Morton died as a result of AIDS.