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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Finding of Misconduct by a Former United States Attorney for Having an Inappropriate Relationship With a Subordinate

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation upon receipt of information from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) alleging that a United States Attorney (USA), now retired, engaged in misconduct by engaging in an intimate personal relationship with a high-level, but subordinate, supervisor in the Office (Supervisory AUSA).

The OIG substantiated the allegations, and the former USA admitted to the OIG to having engaged in the relationship. The OIG found that the USA's misconduct gave the appearance of partiality, created a difficult work environment, and violated Executive branch-wide standards of conduct, federal ethics regulations, and possibly federal regulations and DOJ policy regarding sexual harassment in the workplace.

Other allegations against the former USA were not substantiated. The USA retired from federal service following the initiation of the OIG's investigation.

During the investigation, the OIG also determined that the Supervisory AUSA inadvertently failed to report spousal stock trades completely and accurately on required financial disclosure forms.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its reports to EOUSA and the Office of the Deputy Attorney General.

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