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## INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Findings of Misconduct by a Former Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal for Holding and Failing to Report a Position Outside the Federal Government; Misusing Official Time, a Government Vehicle, and Government Electronic Devices; and Having Inappropriate Contacts with Individuals Under Criminal Investigation

The Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated this investigation upon the receipt of information alleging that a Chief Deputy United States Marshal (CDUSM) was commissioned as a local reserve Deputy Sheriff and failed to report his position outside the federal government to the United States Marshals Service (USMS), and that the CDUSM misused his official time and his government vehicle. During the course of its investigation, the OIG became aware that the CDUSM had misused additional government resources, had conducted trainings for state and local law enforcement agencies using his USMS title without permission from the USMS, had inappropriate contact with individuals under criminal investigation, had sexually explicit and other inappropriate material on his USMS workstation computer, and used his USMS cell phone to exchange inappropriate text messages.

The OIG substantiated the allegations that the CDUSM held a position outside the federal government as a local reserve Deputy Sheriff and failed to report this position to the USMS, in violation of federal regulation and USMS policy. The OIG also found that the CDUSM misused his official time, government vehicle, and government electronic devices also in violation of federal regulation and USMS policy. The OIG further found that the CDUSM had inappropriate contacts with individuals under criminal investigation in violation of USMS and Department of Justice policy.

The CDUSM retired during the OIG's investigation. Prosecution was declined. The OIG completed its investigation and provided a report to the USMS.

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