



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY | 23-030

Findings of Misconduct by a DOJ Information Technology Specialist for Disparaging and Racist Remarks and a Threatening Statement, Failure to Properly Escort Visitors and to Follow Mail Screening Policy, and Lack of Candor

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation after receiving information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) alleging a violation of security policy by a DOJ Information Technology (IT) Specialist in connection with the use of a laptop. During the course of the investigation, the OIG also found indications that the DOJ IT Specialist may have made inappropriate comments in the workplace, violated security policies, and lacked candor during an interview with the OIG. The OIG conducted this investigation jointly with the FBI.

The OIG investigation did not substantiate the initial security allegation. The OIG investigation did find that the DOJ IT Specialist made disparaging and racist remarks about a colleague as well as made a threatening statement in the workplace, in violation of DOJ policy and federal regulations. The OIG investigation further found the DOJ IT Specialist failed to properly escort visitors at a federal facility, in violation of DOJ policy, and failed to follow mail screening policy. Finally, the OIG investigation found that the DOJ IT Specialist lacked candor during an interview with the OIG, in violation of DOJ policy.

Criminal prosecution of the DOJ IT Specialist was declined.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the DOJ employing component for appropriate action.



Unless otherwise noted, the OIG applies the preponderance of the evidence standard in determining whether DOJ personnel have committed misconduct.