



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY | 26-081

Findings of Misconduct by a then FBI Special Agent in Charge for Violating Department of Justice and FBI Policies Regarding the Acceptance of Gifts and FBI Policies Regarding the Use and Handling of Firearms

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation after receiving information alleging that a then Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Special Agent in Charge (SAC) retained a gift intended for the FBI and that the SAC pointed a weapon at a colleague.

The OIG did not find that the SAC intended to retain the gift but found that the SAC violated DOJ and FBI policies regarding the acceptance of gifts. The OIG also found that, on one occasion, the SAC violated FBI policies regarding the use and handling of firearms.

The SAC retired from the FBI prior to being contacted by the OIG for an interview. When contacted by the OIG for a voluntary interview, the former SAC declined to be interviewed. The OIG has the authority to compel testimony from current Department employees upon informing them that their statements will not be used to incriminate them in a criminal proceeding. The OIG does not have the authority to compel or subpoena testimony from former Department employees, including those who retire or resign during the course of an OIG investigation.

Federal and state authorities declined to open criminal investigations.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the FBI for any action it deems appropriate.



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