



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A-13030042

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We were informed that a rotator¹ had violated NSF's conflict of interests (COI) rules. We learned the Designated Agency Ethics Official was informed of the rotator's COI violation and made recommendations to the management of the rotator's directorate. NSF did not renew the rotator's Intergovernmental Personnel Act agreement, and she returned to her home institution.

NSF subsequently conducted a review of several awards the rotator handled in which the rotator had COIs. In reviewing the agency's actions, we determined an employee² lied to NSF management and to OIG and engaged in other questionable conduct. In addition, a second employee³ was found to have released an internal memo to the press in violation of NSF policy. We referred these matters to NSF; both employees retired in lieu of termination.

This case is closed and no further action will be taken.

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