

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Inspector General

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August 11, 2015

The Honorable Muriel E. Bowser
Mayor
District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Mayor's Correspondence Unit, 2nd Floor, Suite 316
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORT


Dear Mayor Bowser:

This letter is to inform you that on August 4, 2015, a District of Columbia Superior Court judge sentenced Cherita Whiting, former Special Assistant, Department of Parks and Recreation, to 60 days of incarceration (suspended), and 5 years of supervised probation for defrauding the Department of Employment Services (DOES). In addition, the court ordered Ms. Whiting to pay restitution in the amount of \$11,295.

The D.C. Office of the Inspector General (OIG) investigation revealed that from March 6, 2010, through October 2, 2010, Ms. Whiting engaged in a scheme to defraud DOES by submitting fraudulent claims to obtain unemployment compensation benefits. On August 4, 2015, Ms. Whiting pled guilty to one count of Making a False Statement to Obtain Unemployment Compensation, a misdemeanor.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to call me or Shelley Elliott, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, at (202) 727-2540. When calling, please reference OIG Control Number 2012-0658.

Sincerely,


Daniel W. Lucas
Inspector General

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