

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Inspector General

Inspector General



January 13, 2017

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:

As a result of a D.C. Office of the Inspector General (OIG) investigation, on January 9, 2017, a United States District Court judge sentenced Carlton Blackwell, a member of the public, to 5 years of supervised probation, 6 months incarceration (suspended), and a \$100 court assessment fee, for defrauding the Department of Employment Services (DOES). In addition, the court ordered Mr. Blackwell to pay restitution in the amount of \$30,637.

The OIG investigation revealed that from December 2012 through July 2015, Mr. Blackwell engaged in a scheme to defraud DOES by submitting fraudulent claims to obtain unemployment compensation benefits. On November 1, 2016, Mr. Blackwell pled guilty to one count of Second Degree Felony Fraud, in violation of D.C. Code § 22-3221(b).

If you need any additional information, please feel free to call me or Bernadette Todd, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, at (202) 727-6904. When calling, please reference OIG Control Number 2016-0204.

Sincerely,



Daniel W. Lucas
Inspector General

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