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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Findings of Misconduct by a DOJ Trial Attorney for Disorderly Conduct, Resisting Arrest, Assaulting a Police Officer, and Lack of Candor

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation upon receipt of information from the employing DOJ division alleging that a trial attorney engaged in sex acts on a train, refused to disembark when asked by train and law enforcement officials, and became combative and kicked an officer while being removed from the train. The attorney was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and assaulting a law enforcement officer.

The OIG substantiated the allegations. The attorney's actions violated state criminal law, federal regulations, and executive branch standards of conduct. The attorney was charged by local authorities with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and assaulting a police officer, and entered into an agreement with local authorities requiring that the attorney complete 120 hours of community service as part of a pretrial diversion program. The OIG also found that the attorney lacked candor in an email to the employing division's security personnel about the extent of the misconduct.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided a report to the DOJ employing division and DOJ's Office of Professional Responsibility for further review and appropriate action.

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