

Former AmeriCorps Member Enters Into Civil False Claims Act Settlement with Department of Justice for Falsifying Timesheets and is Debarred for Two Years

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CNCS-OIG investigated allegations that a former AmeriCorps member (member) at Berea College, Berea, KY, submitted false timesheets. The investigation revealed the former member continued to submit false timesheets for three months after she stopped showing up for service and subsequently received living allowance payments for time not served. The member was terminated from the program when the timesheet fraud was discovered.

The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Kentucky accepted the matter for prosecution under the Civil False Claims Act, which resulted in a civil settlement and restitution. In addition, CNCS-OIG recommended debarment of the former member.

Agency/Administrative Actions

CNCS management concurred with CNCS-OIG's findings and debarred the former member for two years.

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