



# Inspector General

## 2023-0015-INVI-P — FALSE MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION

### **Suspected Violations of the Architect of the Capitol (AOC) “Standards of Conduct,” “Government Ethics” and “Absence and Leave” Policies; and Title 18 U.S.C. §1001 “False Statements.” **Substantiated.****

The AOC Office of Inspector General (OIG), received an allegation that claimed Mr. Daniel E. Money, former AOC employee, WG-10, Air Conditioning Equipment Mechanic, Capitol Building, provided a fraudulent, unsigned medical excuse following his return from sick leave on June 4, 2023. Money had initially requested annual leave in conjunction with his scheduled days off. Due to concerns that Money was “developing a pattern” of requesting leave on weekends he was scheduled to work overtime, Money’s supervisor stated they were going to deny the annual leave request for June 4, 2023. Money then deleted the request for annual leave and submitted a request for sick leave, which the supervisor (after consulting with the Human Capital Management Division) approved. When Money returned to work, the supervisor requested a medical excuse and Money provided an unsigned note alleging he was seen at a dental practice on Sunday, June 4, 2023, at 5:00 pm, a date and time that the dental practice was closed.

The OIG initiated an investigation into multiple violations of AOC policy.

Testimonial evidence provided by the dental provider and documentary evidence obtained through legal process confirmed that Money had not been seen at the dental practice on the date and time provided on the medical excuse. Additionally, the dental practice had not provided Money with the medical excuse note he provided to the AOC supervisor.

The OIG was unable to confirm who authored the medical excuse but was able to confirm that Money’s spouse was employed at the dental practice and had e-mailed the medical excuse to him.

During his interview with the OIG, Money consistently stated that he was at a dental appointment on Sunday, June 4, 2023, even after being advised of the potential criminal violations and presented with evidence to the contrary.

**Final Management Action:** The OIG substantiated that Money violated multiple AOC policies and the administrative violations were submitted to the Acting Architect of the Capitol for action deemed appropriate, if any. The OIG referred the substantiated false statements charge under Title 18, United States Code §1001 to the Department of Justice for prosecutorial consideration, however, it was declined due to the availability of administrative remedies. The OIG was notified on April 29, 2024, that Money resigned from the AOC on January 27, 2024, prior to Management Action being taken. The case is closed.