

## INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

2011-02-0038

March 8, 2011

## SPD DEPENDENT AUDIT INVESTIGATION #11

Inspector General Staff Attorney Todd Shumaker, after an investigation by Special Agent Mark Mitchell, reports as follows:

In January and February 2011, the State Personnel Department (SPD) forwarded to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) a series of complaints alleging possible insurance fraud that arose out of a Dependent Eligibility Verification Audit (Audit) conducted by SPD. Among those complaints was one against a former Department of Correction employee ("Employee"), who had failed to deliver to the Audit administrator a marriage license and 2009 federal tax return documenting the eligibility of his spouse.

OIG Special Mark Mitchell was assigned to investigate. Special Agent Mitchell received information from the Indiana Department of Revenue indicating Employee and his spouse had filed a joint tax return as a married couple for 2009. The Marion County Clerk's Office also provided the OIG with a marriage license showing both were married on March 27, 1981. SPD's Benefits Division was

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Employee's employment with the DOC was terminated on December 12, 2010. Benefits termed on January 8, 2011 as a result of his termination from state employment.

notified of these findings.

Finding no basis for criminal charges, Special Agent Mitchell recommended the investigation be closed at this time. Should additional evidence be brought forward, this case may be evaluated for further action. At this time and for these reasons, this case is closed.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ David O. Thomas, Inspector General