

INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

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April 1, 2011

SPD DEPENDENT AUDIT INVESTIGATION #22

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

In 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) by SPD. Among those complaints was one against a former employee with the Indiana School for the Deaf ("Employee"),¹ who failed to deliver to the Audit administrator documentation confirming the eligibility of his wife.

The OIG is charged by the Indiana Legislature to address fraud, waste and abuse in state agencies. IC 4-2-7-2(b). In so doing, the OIG is instructed to supervise and coordinate investigations. IC 4-2-7-3(1).

OIG Special Agent Darrell Boehmer was assigned to investigate. Special Agent Boehmer checked Employee's wife's license records and found that her current license showed the same street address as Employee's and that she had changed her surname on January 12, 1984. In addition, Employee and his wife

¹ Employee's employment with the School for the Deaf was terminated on January 29, 2011.

filed a joint tax return in 2009.

Finding no basis for criminal charges, Special Agent Boehmer 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 1st day of April, 2011.

APPROVED BY:

David O. Thomas, Inspector General