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Recent News

On April 30, 2013, an OEIG investigative report was publicly disclosed:

- ***In re: Sherry Johnson***, 10-00929, involved Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission Data Processing Assistant Sherry Johnson who, among other improper acts, violated IWCC policies and the Ethics Act by using and selling IWCC information. Ms. Johnson resigned.

The release of this report brings the total number of OEIG reports released in FY 2013 to 19.

On May 14, 2013, the OEIG submitted written testimony to the Illinois Senate State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee in support of House Bill 2, which creates the Single Audit Commission to recommend uniform state grant standards. The legislation now awaits the governor's signature. The OEIG's Grant Review Initiative Team (GRIT) anticipates working with the new commission to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse related to state grants. The OEIG's testimony and other recent OEIG news and publicly disclosed reports are available on our website.

Chicago Office Open House: June 13, 2013



The OEIG will host an open house at its new Chicago office. Invitees will include various public employees, appointees, and officials who will be able to visit with OEIG staff and view

first-hand the benefits of our new facility.

This new space is made available to us under an intergovernmental agreement with Cook County. It addresses several important, but previously unmet, needs of the OEIG and those with whom we conduct business:

- 24 x 7 building access;
- improved office area for investigative interviews;
- enhanced building security; and
- adequate conference space.

Please look for your electronic invitation to the open house:

Date: June 13, 2013

Time: 4:00 to 6:00 pm

Place: 69 W. Washington Street, Ste. 3400
Chicago, IL 60602

RSVP: Requested but Not Required (by June 11, 2013)

Recipients of our newsletter are welcome to attend.

Ricardo Meza

Executive Inspector General

Revolving Door Decisions

The Executive Ethics Commission (EEC) recently issued decisions in two appeals of OEIG revolving door determinations.

On April 29, 2013, in the matter ***In re: Jun Esuerte***, 13-EEC-019, the EEC reversed the OEIG's determination that Mr. Esuerte was not restricted from accepting employment with a servicer of nursing facilities. The EEC concluded that, though Mr. Esuerte had not regulated his prospective employer, he had regulated nursing facilities that were controlled by that employer.

On May 8, 2013, in the matter ***In re: Roland Marr***, 13-EEC-020, the EEC affirmed the OEIG's determination that Mr. Marr was permitted to accept employment by a trade association. The EEC concluded that, though Mr. Marr had regulated members of the trade association, he had not made any regulatory decision that directly applied to the association.

Copies of the decisions may be found on our website.

Daniel Hurtado
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Calendar of Events: May 29, 2013: Investigator Africk and Admin. Asst. Dugger will attend MS Excel training in Chicago; June 13, 2013: OEIG Open House; June 17, 2013: Members of the Grant Review Initiative Team will attend audit training in Chicago; June 18, 2013: Admin. Assts. Contreras and Hopkins will attend Advanced Customer Service Skills training in Chicago; and June 27, 2013: Sr. Paralegals Bult and Simmons and Admin. Assts. Contreras and Dugger will attend Creative Problem Solving Skills training in Chicago.