

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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This investigation was initiated pursuant to an allegation that an NSF grantee terminated an employee, who had been the principal investigator of an NSF award, in retaliation for complaining to the grantee about the nature of her appointment. We reviewed the allegations and determined that our office did not have jurisdiction to investigate the retaliation claim because the NSF award in question was made before July 1, 2013 and is therefore not covered by 41 U.S.C. § 4712 (Enhancement of Contractor Protection from Reprisal for Disclosure of Certain Information).

Accordingly, this investigation is *closed*.