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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A04070046

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We reviewed an allegation that a university official¹ misrepresented her academic credentials. The credentials in question were included in several NSF proposals, in possible violation of NSF's Research Misconduct regulation.² We opened an inquiry to ascertain the facts, and determined that the credentials accurately reflected the official's employment history. Accordingly, this case is closed.

¹ [REDACTED]

² The Office of Science and Technology Policy explicitly addressed the issue of credentials in the Preamble for Research Misconduct Policy published in the Federal Register, Vol. 65, No. 235, December 6, 2000: *Does this policy address misrepresentation of a researcher's credentials or publications?* Yes, misrepresentation of a researcher's credentials or ability to perform the research in grant applications or similar submissions may constitute falsification or fabrication in proposing research.