



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-11-03-0011

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We received information that a for-profit business¹ was using the National Science Foundation logo on its website².

Subsequent investigation, which included executing a search warrant at the business, resulted in the owner³ of the business pleading guilty to violating 18 U.S.C. § 506(a)(1) and -(2), Falsely Making and Forging the Seal of the National Science Foundation. The business owner was sentenced to imprisonment for one year and one day, followed by supervised probation for two years. In addition, the business owner was required to pay a criminal fine of \$25,000.

Accordingly, this investigation is closed.

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