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SUBJECT: Investigative Review – Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board Abuse of Authority

DATE: January 09, 2015

The Division of Inspector General's Public Integrity Unit received allegations of Fraud, Waste, and Abuse. We investigated the following allegation related to a Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board (PCCLB) employee.

The complainant alleged that a PCCLB employee abused authority by unlawfully entering an unattended vehicle during the course of official duties and violated Pinellas County Employee Personnel Rules and Florida Statute 810.

The complainant did not provide documentation to assist with the investigation.

To determine whether the allegation was substantiated, we reviewed policies, procedures, and any other records deemed appropriate. We also conducted interviews of staff and other parties, as needed. Our investigation was performed according to the *Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspector General* and *The Florida Inspectors General Standards Manual* from The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

The Division of Inspector General's investigation of the allegation has determined that the allegation noted above is *unsubstantiated*, as there was insufficient evidence to either prove or disprove the allegation.

We want to thank PCCLB management for their assistance and cooperation during this investigation.



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