



Summary of Investigation

Investigation Into Allegations of Misuse of Position by an NTIA Official

Case No. 24-0887

Dated Posted: July 3, 2025

► **What We Investigated** | We received an initial allegation that a manager at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) misused their official government position to noncompetitively hire their child for an internship at NTIA.

While investigating this allegation, we uncovered evidence that the manager had also misused their official position to solicit employment with an entity seeking federal funding from NTIA.

► **What We Found** | We found that the senior manager misused their position twice. The first time was in August 2023, when they sought employment with an entity seeking federal funding from NTIA under the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment program. The second time was in April and May 2024, when the manager, against the advice of Department of Commerce ethics officials, helped their child receive an internship that had not been posted publicly.

This case was declined for criminal prosecution. We referred our findings to NTIA for appropriate action.