



SEC OIG INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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Former SEC employee accessed and shared nonpublic investigative information with her son, who then posted and shared the information on X.

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) investigated the disclosure on social media of SEC nonpublic information concerning an active Division of Enforcement (ENF) investigation. On May 10, 2025, an image of ENF's internal case management system was posted on X (formerly Twitter). The posted image, a photo taken of a computer screen displaying nonpublic case information, pertained to an ongoing ENF investigation.

The OIG found that while working from home, an SEC employee, now retired, accessed information related to the investigation on more than one occasion by using the ENF case management system without authority or a need to know. The employee allowed her adult son to view the information while she stepped out of the room. The employee told the OIG that she allowed her son to view the information to prove to him that the SEC had an active investigation into this specific matter. The employee also accessed a related investigation without authority or a need to know.

The OIG found that the employee's son posted on X the image of the ENF case management system opened to the investigation. Via direct messages on X, the son shared additional photos of his parent's SEC laptop displaying ENF case management system information from the same matter. One of the direct messages included the contact information of an SEC employee working on the investigation.

The OIG referred these findings to the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia (USAO DC). The USAO DC ultimately declined to prosecute the former employee or her adult son.

