


Baltimore City Fire Department

Response Case

23-0046-I

F R O M	Name & Title	James W. Wallace, Fire Chief	CITY OF BALTIMORE MEMO	
	Agency Name & Address	Baltimore City Fire Department 401 E. Fayette Street, Mezzanine		
	Subject	OIG Case Number 23-0046-I		

TO: Isabel Mercedes Cumming,
Inspector General

DATE: November 22, 2024

Please consider this letter the official response of the Baltimore City Fire Department (BCFD) to
OIG Case Number 23-0046-I regarding [REDACTED]. First, I want to express my appreciation for
bringing light to this matter. BCFD takes the OIG's investigative findings in this case extremely
seriously. As such, BCFD has initiated an internal investigation which will be managed by the
Department's Office of Professional Standards (OPS). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. The investigation will be
conducted in accordance with departmental policy, and has been assigned [REDACTED].
[REDACTED]

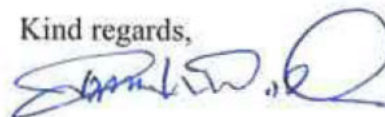
As indicated in the OIG's Management Alert regarding this matter, the OIG's investigative
finding that [REDACTED] engaged in misuse of time has been turned over to [REDACTED].
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. In addition, BCFD also
will consult with the Department of Human Resources (DHR) as part of the investigation with
respect to the promotion. Should BCFD's internal investigation uncover any potential
wrongdoing or policy violations by other BCFD employees, OPS also will initiate investigations
into those personnel in accordance with departmental policy.

BCFD is happy to provide periodic updates as to the status of the internal investigation regarding
[REDACTED], should the Office of the OIG prefer. Otherwise, we will notify you of the results of the
investigation and any resulting disciplinary action taken once the matter is finalized. Please just
advise as to your preference.

Thank you again for bringing this matter to my attention.

Kind regards,



James W. Wallace, Chief
Baltimore City Fire Department

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cc: Honorable Brandom M. Scott, Mayor
Honorable Ebony M. Thompson, City Solicitor
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