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**New York State Office of Children and Family Services**  
52 Washington Street  
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Attn.: Gladys Carrion  
Commissioner

**Re: NYS IG 1050-008-2010**

Dear Commissioner Carrion:

On October 26, 2010, the Office of Children and Family Services' (OCFS) Special Investigations Unit reported to the New York State Inspector General that during an internal audit of then Assistant Commissioner [REDACTED] official travel, it had discovered inconsistencies indicating that [REDACTED] intentionally submitted false travel vouchers and received travel expense reimbursements to which he was not entitled. I am writing to advise you of the results of the Inspector General's investigation of this matter.

As an Assistant Commissioner responsible for administering the New York State Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, [REDACTED] OCFS responsibilities involved occasional train travel between Albany and New York City, Buffalo, Syracuse, and Utica. The Inspector General reviewed OCFS's audit of [REDACTED] travel, which contained travel vouchers, receipts for lodging and transportation, cellular telephone call data, and time and attendance records. The Inspector General cross-referenced the audit records with train departure and arrival information obtained from Amtrak.

As a result of this analysis, the Inspector General identified 10 travel vouchers [REDACTED] submitted between July 2008 and April 2009 in which he provided false information. Specifically, [REDACTED] claimed on his vouchers earlier departure times and later return times than had actually occurred, resulting in meal expense reimbursements to which he was not entitled. In total, [REDACTED] requested and received \$547 in improper reimbursements. [REDACTED] testified under oath before the Inspector General and admitted to knowingly and intentionally providing false information on his travel vouchers. As

you no doubt are aware, OCFS terminated [REDACTED] on November 18, 2010, as a result of the internal audit findings. OCFS, however, did not require that [REDACTED] make any restitution.

The Inspector General has forwarded these findings to the Rensselaer County District Attorney for his review.

While no response is requested, if you would like additional information regarding our investigation, you may contact me at (518) 474-1010.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

✓ Catherine Le. Scott  
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cc: Larry Graven  
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