Summary: BIA Employee Misused GSA Fleet Government Credit Cards

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In a joint investigation with the General Service Administration, Office of Inspector General (GSA OIG), we investigated allegations that Shannon D. Wheeler, a Bureau of Indian Affairs employee, misused Government fleet credit cards for personal transactions and also misused a Government Owned Vehicle. GSA OIG's analysis of fleet credit card transactions estimated that Wheeler's theft through misuse of the credit cards exceeded \$10,000 over a 2-year period, and we substantiated these allegations.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Washington prosecuted this case. On June 23, 2022, Wheeler pleaded guilty to one felony count of violating 18 U.S.C. § 641, Theft of Public Money. On December 30, 2022, Wheeler was sentenced to 3 years of supervised release and ordered to pay \$11,098.19 in restitution.

This is a summary of an investigative report we issued to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Director.