

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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The Honorable Adrian M. Fenty  
Mayor  
District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Mayor's Correspondence Unit, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Suite 316  
Washington, D.C. 20004

**RE: SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORT**

Dear Mayor Fenty:

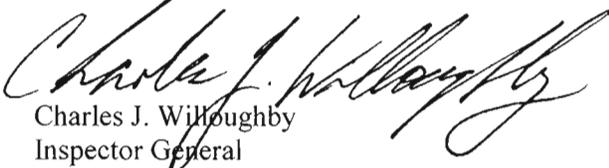
This report is to inform you of the recent sentencing of Rashelle L. Henderson, former Program Support Specialist, District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), and Tashana Crews, a private citizen who is not a District government employee.

On June 19, 2008, Ms. Henderson and Ms. Crews each entered guilty pleas in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to Conspiracy to Commit Identity Theft. On December 10, 2008, both Ms. Henderson and Ms. Crews were sentenced to 6 months in prison and 6 months in a residential re-entry center, followed by 3 years of supervised release, 250 hours of community service, and payment of \$48,508.45 in restitution, to be paid jointly.

The investigation, which was conducted by Special Agent Charles Abbington, D.C. Office of the Inspector General (OIG), working jointly with the United States Secret Service, revealed that Ms. Henderson, while working at the DCPS Office of Professional Development, stole the identities of 65 co-workers and job applicants as part of scheme to open fictitious credit card accounts. Ms. Henderson sent the stolen identification information to Ms. Crews by electronic mail, and they used the stolen names and other personal data to open approximately 30 lines of credit. Ms. Henderson and Ms. Crews charged \$48,508.46 worth of merchandise including coats, musical equipment, furniture, and car service rides.

If you need additional information, please feel free to call me or Stacie Pittell, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, (202) 727-2540. When calling, please reference OIG Control Number 2007-0266.

Sincerely,



Charles J. Willoughby  
Inspector General

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