

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Office of Inspector General initiated an investigation based on information gathered by the Audit Division of this Office for its *Audit of NOPD's Uniform Crime Reporting of Forcible Rapes* (May 2014). The Investigations Division reviewed the 90 sex crime related reports that auditors cited in their report, and identified 23 reports that raised concerns about the documentation of the investigations.

Investigators reviewed the records of agencies that might have had information regarding these cases and identified five New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) Special Victims Section detectives whose documentation for investigations was questionable. Due to ongoing investigations, these five detectives will be not named in this report; their identities were provided to the NOPD's Public Integrity Bureau (PIB), which provided material assistance to the investigation.

PIB identified 1,290 sex crime related calls for service that were assigned to the five detectives. Of the 1,290 Item Numbers, only 179 (14%) contained supplemental reports documenting any additional investigative efforts beyond the initial report; these 179 supplemental reports were the total written investigative product of the five detectives for sex crime related calls for service for three years.

The Investigations Division reviewed 450 Item Numbers wherein initial reports were written or comments were made by the five detectives. Of these, 271 (60%) contained no supplemental reports documenting any investigative effort beyond the initial report.

These five detectives, in 271 specific instances, either failed to provide documentation of investigative efforts or provided questionable documentation. The Investigations Division has provided these cases to PIB for further investigation.

The investigation also noted that NOPD supervisors failed to identify the problems concerning the documentation of investigative efforts by the five detectives for the three year period.