



The City of New York
Department of Investigation

ROSE GILL HEARN
COMMISSIONER

80 MAIDEN LANE
NEW YORK, NY 10038
212-825-5900

Release # 67-2006
nyc.gov/html/doi

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2006

CONTACT: CAROL STRICKLAND
(212) 825-5931

STATEMENT FROM DOI REGARDING TERMINATION OF FIREFIGHTER ANTHONY LOSCUITO

DOI was pleased to learn today that Fire Department Commissioner Nicholas Scoppetta has terminated Firefighter Anthony Loscuito.

Firefighter Loscuito was one of three firefighters named in a report that DOI issued in February 2005 describing serious misconduct and other violations of FDNY regulations while on duty in a Bronx firehouse. During DOI's investigation into allegations of inappropriate sexual misconduct that occurred on August 20, 2004 in Engine Company 75/Ladder Company 33/Battalion 19, it was determined that Loscuito gave false and misleading testimony, while under oath, at a DOI interview on August 25, 2004 in which he denied having any sexual contact with a female visitor at the firehouse. The FDNY subsequently brought a number of disciplinary charges against firefighter Loscuito and, following four days of hearings in March 2006, an OATH judge rendered a decision on June 14, 2006, finding that firefighter Loscuito gave false and misleading testimony to DOI regarding the events of August 20, 2004. The administrative law judge recommended that Loscuito be terminated from employment with the FDNY. With today's action, Commissioner Scoppetta upheld that recommendation.

All three firefighters involved in this incident are now no longer employed with the FDNY. Christian Waugh was terminated in December 2004 after he refused to make any statement about the incident to investigators. Tony Deluca resigned in lieu of termination on October 21, 2005, pending an OATH trial that had been scheduled the following week.

DOI's report is available on-line at <http://www.nyc.gov/doi>.

Get the worms out of the Big Apple.
To report someone ripping off the city, call DOI at (212) 825-5959.