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James R. Flaiz
Geauga County Prosecuting Attorney

CASE NUMBER:	17-126
SUSPECT NAME:	DECATUR, Stephen T.
INVESTIGATION TYPE:	2921.42 Having an unlawful interest in a public contract.
DATE OF OFFENSE:	November 10, 2016 - September 30, 2017
DATE OF REPORT:	October 26, 2017
INVESTIGATING OFFICER:	Investigator Richard Warner <i>ZW#7324</i>
ATTACHMENTS:	

Summary:
Investigator Richard Warner was assigned to investigate whether Stephen T. Decatur, the Chief Technology Officer for Geauga County, had a family relationship with SMCS Tech LLC. SMCS Tech LLC has been providing services to Geauga County Automated Data Processing since at least November 10, 2016. It was discovered that a Stephanie Stewart is the registrant of SMCS TECH LLC with the State of Ohio Secretary of State Business Filing Portal.

Subject(s)	SUSPECT
Name:	DECATUR, Stephen T.
DOB:	12/22/1958
Driver's License:	RP986507
Address:	12477 Heath Road, Chesterland, OH 44026
Phone:	440-289-6586

Subject(s)	
Name:	STEWART, Stephanie E. (nee: Decatur)
DOB:	07/15/1982
Driver's License:	RW125721
Address:	279 Mineola Ave. Akron, OH 44313
Phone:	

NARRATIVE:

On Friday, September 29, 2017, Investigator Richard Warner, was requested by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Kate Jacob to meet with her and Chief Deputy Auditor Ron Leyde of the Geauga County Auditor's Office. APA Jacob advised that there were concerns that were brought up by an anonymous source from within the Geauga County Auditor's Office that several tens of thousands dollars had been paid to a vendor approved by Stephen Decatur, Chief Technology Officer, and Frank Gliha, Geauga County Auditor, since November of 2016.

Mr. Leyde provided four paid invoices from SMCS Tech LLC two on January 3, 2017 and two on August 30, 2017. The invoices were approved for payment by S T Decatur and Frank Gliha. Payment was made by the Geauga County Auditor's Office as reflected in the scanned documents.