

# Financial Investigator New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller

Unclassified Government Representative 2 Salary Range: X98 - \$75,000-\$100,000 Eligible for remote work 2 days per week

## **About the Office:**

The Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) is an independent State agency that oversees the Executive Branch of state government. Our mission is to make government in New Jersey more efficient, transparent and accountable. Our office audits and investigates municipalities, school districts, and counties; state colleges and universities; independent state authorities; and state agencies. We also oversee government expenditures, review public contracts, evaluate local and state programs, and oversee the Medicaid program. We detect and uncover fraud, waste, and abuse and share our findings through public reports.

#### About the Role:

OSC seeks a highly-motivated and detail-oriented Senior Financial Investigator to join our team. In this role you will use your investigative skills and knowledge of common fraud schemes and risk areas to identify potential fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds. You will play a critical part in developing investigations, understanding the flow of money between various entities, and ensuring transparency and integrity in the use of public funds. We are looking for someone who is passionate about our work, who wants to make a difference, and who is interested in taking on complex and challenging cases that have a significant public impact.

# Responsibilities:

- Conduct complex financial investigations involving government programs, grants, vendors, and contracts.
- Conduct thorough forensic financial analysis into business, personal, and institutional records and develop financial profiles of relevant individuals, businesses and/or groups.
- Identify and trace funding sources and interrelated transactions.
- Utilize advanced investigative techniques and data analysis tools to identify and analyze financial discrepancies, red flags, and potential fraud.
- Conduct interviews, collect evidence, and prepare comprehensive reports documenting findings and recommendations.
- Work collaboratively with auditors, attorneys, and analysts to build strong cases and pursue appropriate action.
- Stay informed of relevant federal and state laws, regulations, and accounting standards.
- Provide expert testimony and presentations on investigative findings, as needed.
- Mentor and train junior investigators and contribute to the development of investigative best practices.

#### Requirements:

Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree.

- Five or more years of experience in conducting civil or criminal investigations.
- Ability to use computer hardware and software tools for gathering and analyzing financial information, conducting analyses, and managing investigative cases.

## The ideal candidate will have the following skills and experience:

- Excellent written and oral communications, including the ability to translate complex and interrelated information into presentations and analytical reports.
- Proven expertise in using AIT CFIS or similar data analysis software for financial investigations.
- Proficient with Windows XP, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint), Microsoft Outlook.
- CPA, CIA, CFE or other similar certification.

## Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and three references to:

Shama Nix Office of the State Comptroller P.O. Box 024 Trenton, NJ 08625 Email:<u>careers@osc.nj.gov</u>

NOTE: In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:15C-5, OSC employees and personnel shall be deemed confidential employees and shall serve in the unclassified service of the Civil Service. Residency Requirements - Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L. 2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act," all new public employees are required to obtain principal residence in the State of New Jersey within one (1) year of employment.

The Office of the State Comptroller is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to providing a work environment that supports, inspires, and respects all individuals and in which personnel processes are based on merit, performance, and business needs. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, familial status, citizenship, age, or status as an individual with a disability. We believe that diversity and inclusion among our staff is critical to our success. We seek to recruit, develop and retain the most talented people from a diverse candidate pool and encourage applicants from all backgrounds and experiences to apply.