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## Office of the State Comptroller Names Director of Investigations and Chief of Staff

**TRENTON** – Ravi Ramanathan, an attorney experienced in federal investigations and probes of major financial institutions, will lead the Investigations Division of the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). Kaitlyn Woolford, who brings 16 years of experience working throughout New Jersey State government, will serve as OSC's new Chief of Staff.

Most recently, Ramanathan worked as an attorney at Jenner & Block LLP, where he represented clients in internal investigations, federal investigations, and monitorships of major financial institutions. His pro bono work included litigating a class action lawsuit on behalf of army veterans, securing the release of a client at an immigration bond hearing, and representing indigent clients during federal narcotics investigations. Ramanathan also clerked for the Second Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals and the Southern District of New York.

Prior to joining OSC as Chief of Staff, Woolford helped manage the State's response to COVID-19 at the Department of Health, including acting as State supervisor of community-based testing sites and as a member of the Crisis Response Team and Vaccination Task Force. Woolford also served in the Department of the Treasury, where she helped develop a public exigency procurement workflow that resulted in one of the only audits of post-Sandy work that was found to be compliant.

"We are thrilled that Ravi Ramanathan and Kaitlyn Woolford have come aboard," said **Acting State Comptroller Kevin D. Walsh**. "Their leadership will allow OSC to continue to execute our mission of uncovering fraud, waste, and misconduct in New Jersey government. As New Jersey's watchdog, we're firmly committed to making government more transparent and efficient on behalf of taxpayers."

OSC's Investigations Division was formed in 2010 after the Legislature consolidated the powers of the Office of the Inspector General. OSC's Investigations Division detects and uncovers fraud and monitors the performance of elected officials and public programs. Most recently, the Division released [an investigation](#) on a workers' compensation policy that encouraged settlements that harmed New Jersey's pension funds and gave insurers windfalls.

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