

INVESTIGATIVE AND FORENSIC ACCOUNTING SERVICES

Issues that call for investigative and forensic accounting services are handled by a specialized group of individuals from Schneider Downs, including professionals who have obtained accreditation as Certified Fraud Examiners (CFEs) or Certified in Financial Forensics (CFFs). Investigations require experienced, skilled specialists who are able to maintain complete confidentiality and can conduct thorough interviews and examinations.

Schneider Downs' team of business professionals is trained to investigate a wide range of allegations regarding fraud and white collar crime. Our team has years of diversified financial and business operations experience, and their continuing experience with the legal process enables them to identify irregularities and potential concerns within your company. They are skilled in taking statements, assembling evidence, writing reports and testifying to findings.

Our professionals are qualified to conduct internal and external examinations of financial information and other appropriate documents to determine:

- What evidence does or does not exist to indicate financial misconduct;
- Whether contracts and other pertinent agreements were entered into with the company's best interests in mind;
- Whether the integrity of the internal controls established by the company has been breached;
- That the accuracy of the financial information provided to the company's users has not been compromised; and
- The true nature of a transaction through funds tracing or assets, despite what the accounting records might indicate.

By understanding the client's objectives, our specialists are able to quantify the potential losses incurred and design and implement internal accounting and management controls for loss prevention and risk management. If you discover or suspect a financial irregularity, Schneider Downs forensic accounting professionals will help to identify any discrepancies and quantify the loss.

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