

J. William Studdard, CFE, CPA

Professional Experience

Consulting

- ◆ **The accounting firm of J. William Studdard, CPA**, Carrollton, Georgia
 - Offering anti-fraud consulting, financial and fraud investigations, expert witness services, criminal and civil litigation support.
 - Public speaking engagements and training provided on fraud, forensic accounting and financial investigation topics.
 - Delivered training under contract on behalf of the U.S. Department of State to international audiences on-site at overseas locations on multiple occasions.

Investigation

- ◆ **Special Investigator** – self-employed under contract to conduct background investigations of persons considered for sensitive United States government positions, positions of public trust, or for positions which require a national security clearance. Agencies supported include the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Defense, and the United States Office of Personnel Management.
- ◆ **Senior Special Agent, United States Customs Service**, Office of Investigations, Department of the Treasury -
 - Conducted criminal and civil investigations involving a variety of federal crimes, with a primary focus on "white collar" offenses such as import/export fraud, intellectual property, international arms trafficking, and other financial crimes. Prepared cases for trial and testified in both Federal and state court proceedings.
 - Managed the commercial fraud and strategic export investigation programs for the Atlanta field office, including preparing threat assessments, developing enforcement strategies, and conducting outreach programs for industry.
 - Maintained working relationships with other federal, state, and local agencies and the business community.
- ◆ **Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service**, Criminal Investigation Division, Department of the Treasury –
 - Conducted criminal investigations of violations of the federal tax laws and related offenses. Assisted the United States Attorney in preparation for and conduct of trials and testified in US District Court and US Tax Court.
 - Managed criminal intelligence gathering projects related to the detection of tax evasion schemes.

Audit

- ◆ **Internal Revenue Agent, Internal Revenue Service**, Examination Division, Department of the Treasury - conducted federal tax examinations, detected and referred suspected fraud violations to Criminal Investigations Division (CID), conducted joint investigations with CID, focusing on civil aspects of case.

Instruction

- ◆ **Instructor of Accounting, University of West Georgia**, Richards College of Business – Teaching undergraduate financial accounting and fraud examination at an AACSB accredited state university.
- ◆ **Assistant Director (Supervisory Criminal Investigator), US Customs Service Academy**, Department of the Treasury –
 - Developed and taught courses in the areas of commercial fraud, intellectual property, manipulation of financial systems, money laundering, asset forfeiture and other investigative subjects, and acted as a subject matter expert in the investigation of complex financial crime and forensic accounting.
 - Managed the national program for advanced law enforcement training of U.S. Customs investigators, including program development and delivery, scheduling, budgeting, quality control, and staff recruiting.
 - Supervised U.S. Customs investigations training support to the International Law Enforcement Academies in Budapest, Hungary, and Bangkok, Thailand. Conducted briefings for senior foreign law enforcement officials on U.S. Customs training programs and initiatives.
- ◆ **Law Enforcement Specialist (Senior Instructor), Federal Law Enforcement Training Center**, Department of Homeland Security - conducted basic and advanced instruction in law enforcement subjects, primarily interviewing and interrogation, courtroom demeanor and testifying skills, and related topics to criminal investigator and uniformed police officer trainees from over eighty federal agencies.

Certifications and Licenses

Certified Fraud Examiner
Certified Public Accountant

Education

Master of Business Administration, accounting major, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia

Bachelor of Business Administration cum laude, accounting major, North Georgia College, Dahlonega, Georgia

Technical Training

Criminal Investigator School, Distinguished Graduate, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center

Internal Revenue Service Special Agent training

US Customs Service Special Agent training, first in academic class standing

Internal Revenue Service Revenue Agent training

Fraud Investigations course, US Customs Service

Asset Forfeiture and Financial Investigations course, US Customs Service

International Financial Investigators course, Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Law Enforcement Instructor Training Program, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center

And several other courses involving general law enforcement and investigative subject matter.

Other courses from non-government providers:

Certified Fraud Examiner Preparation course, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

Verbal Judo Instructor training, Verbal Judo Institute

Bank Secrecy Act training

Fraud Examination for Managers and Auditors

Forensic Accounting

Forensic Accounting for Divorce Engagements

Strategies for the Detection of Fraud

Internal Control and Fraud Detection

Professional Associations

Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants (past chapter officer)

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (past chapter director)

Peace Officers Association of Georgia

Association of Former Customs Special Agents

Association of Former Special Agents of the IRS

Military

Commander (retired), United States Naval Reserve - Military experience includes leadership and managerial positions supervising a diverse workforce overseas, aboard ship, and in the United States.