Fraud Examiners Manual

Provides a portrait of white-collar criminals and their punishments. The authors of this book argue that white-collar crime is committed largely by the middle classes and as opportunities for financial wrong-doing increase so will people's susceptability.

The ultimate tool for understanding, investigating and preventing fraud Fraud is an evil with a life of its own that leaves a financial, repetitional, and emotional toll on its victims. While monumental scandals, such as Enron, WorldCom, and Madoff's Ponzi scheme make the front pages, fraud is a daily occurrence impacting companies and individuals alike. Faces of Fraud reveals must-know characteristics of fraudsters and the skills needed to outwit them. Recognized Fraud Fighting Expert Martin Biegelman draws from his 40 years of experience fighting fraud to profile not only the key traits fraudsters share, but also the qualities fraud examiners must possess to be successful. Each chapter contains stories from actual cases that the author investigated Profiles the must-know characteristics of fraudsters and the skills you'll need to outwit them Reveals the traits of accomplished fraud examiners Explores the best practices in fraud detection, investigation and prevention to cultivate in order to maximize success Written by fraud fighting expert Martin T. Biegelman Although fraud will never be completely eradicated, there is much that can be done to reduce the number and size of frauds that take place in any organization. Boiling down the key lessons the author has culled from his long career, Faces of Fraud entertains and informs with stories from real cases the author investigated over his long career, and imparts useful tips you can start using right away in the fraud examination field.

Delve into the mind of a fraudster to beat them at their own game Corporate Fraud Handbook details the many forms of fraud to help you identify red flags and prevent fraud before it occurs. Written by the founder and chairman of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), this book provides indispensable guidance for auditors, examiners, managers, and criminal investigators: from asset misappropriation, to corruption, to financial statement fraud, the most common schemes are dissected to show you where to look and what to look for. This new fifth edition includes the all-new statistics from the ACFE 2016 Report to the Nations on Occupational Fraud and Abuse, providing a current look at the impact of and trends in fraud. Real-world case studies submitted to the ACFE by actual fraud examiners show how different scenarios play out in practice, to help you build an effective anti-fraud program within your own organization. This systematic examination into the mind of a fraudster is backed by practical guidance for before, during, and after fraud has been committed; you'll learn how to stop various schemes in their tracks, where to find evidence, and how to quantify financial losses after the fact. Fraud continues to be a serious problem for businesses and government agencies, and can manifest in myriad ways. This book walks you through detection, prevention, and aftermath to help you shore up your defenses and effectively manage fraud risk. Understand the most common fraud schemes and identify red flags Learn from illustrative case studies submitted by anti-fraud professionals Ensure compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley and other regulations Develop and implement effective anti-fraud measures at multiple levels Fraud can be committed by anyone at any level—employees, managers, owners, and executives—and no organization is immune. Anti-fraud regulations are continually evolving, but the magnitude of fraud's impact has yet to be fully realized. Corporate Fraud Handbook provides exceptional coverage of schemes and effective defense to help you keep your organization secure.

A fraud investigation is aimed at examining evidence to determine if a fraud occurred, how it happened, who was involved, and how much money was lost. Investigations occur in cases ranging from embezzlement, to falsification of financial statements, to suspicious insurance

claims. Expert Fraud Investigation: A Step-by-Step Guide provides all the tools to conduct a fraud investigation, detailing when and how to investigate. This guide takes the professional from the point of opening an investigation, selecting a team, gathering data, and through the entire investigation process. Business executives, auditors, and security professionals will benefit from this book, and companies will find this a useful tool for fighting fraud within their own organizations.

Essentials of Forensic Accounting Essentials of Forensic Accounting is an authoritative resource covering a comprehensive range of forensic accounting topics. As a foundation review, a reference book, or as preparation for the Certification in Financial Forensics (CFF®) Exam, this publication will provide thoughtful and insightful examination of the key themes in this field, including: Professional responsibilities and practice management Fundamental forensic knowledge including laws, courts, and dispute resolution Specialized forensic knowledge such as bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and valuation Through illustrative examples, cases, and explanations, this book makes abstract concepts come to life to help you understand and successfully navigate this complex area.

In Policing Fraud, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) President James D. Ratley, CFE, shares detailed accounts of his life, from his time on the Dallas police force to his role in helping to create a profession and establishing the largest anti-fraud organization in the world. In this book, you will learn about: The early days of the ACFE How a two-man start-up that would eventually become the world's largest anti-fraud organization Life in the Dallas Police Department working as a beat cop, in Internal Affairs and Vice, and as part of a white-collar crime task force

Forensic Fraud is the culmination of 12 years of research by author Brent E. Turvey. A practicing forensic scientist since 1996, Turvey has rendered this first of its kind study into the widespread problem of forensic fraud in the United States. It defines the nature and scope of the problem, the cultural attitudes and beliefs of those involved, and establishes clear systemic contributors. Backed up by scrupulous research and hard data, community reforms are proposed and discussed in light of the recently published National Academy of Sciences report on forensic science. An adaptation of Dr. Turvey's doctoral dissertation, this volume relentlessly cites chapter and verse in support of its conclusions that law enforcement cultural and scientific values are incompatible, and that the problem of forensic fraud is systemic in nature. It begins with an overview of forensic fraud as a sub-type of occupational fraud, it explores the extent of fraud in both law enforcement and scientific employment settings, it establishes and then contrasts the core values of law enforcement and scientific cultures and then it provides a comprehensive review of the scientific literature regarding forensic fraud. The final chapters present data from Dr. Turvey's original research into more than 100 fraudulent examiners between 2000 and 2010, consideration of significant findings, and a review of proposed reforms to the forensic science community based on what was learned. It closes with a chapter on the numerous crime lab scandals, and closures that occurred between 2010 and 2012 – an update on the deteriorating state of the forensic science community in the United States subsequent to data collection efforts in the present research. Forensic Fraud is intended for use as a professional reference manual by those working in the criminal system who encounter the phenomenon and want to understand its context and origins.

It is intended to help forensic scientist and their supervisors to recognize, manage and expel it; to provide policy makers with the necessary understaffing for acknowledging and mitigating it; and to provide agents of the courts with the knowledge, and confidence, to adjudicate it. It is also useful for those at the university level seeking a strong secondary text for courses on forensic science, law and evidence, or miscarriages of justice. First of its kind overview of the cultural instigators of forensic fraud First of its kind research into the nature and impact of forensic fraud, with data (2000-2010) First of its kind typology of forensic fraud, for use in future case examination in research Numerous profiles of forensic fraudsters Review of major crime lab scandals between 2010 and 2012

Detect fraud earlier to mitigate loss and prevent cascading damage Fraud Analytics Using Descriptive, Predictive, and Social Network Techniques is an authoritative guidebook for setting up a comprehensive fraud detection analytics solution. Early detection is a key factor in mitigating fraud damage, but it involves more specialized techniques than detecting fraud at the more advanced stages. This invaluable guide details both the theory and technical aspects of these techniques, and provides expert insight into streamlining implementation. Coverage includes data gathering, preprocessing, model building, and post–implementation, with comprehensive guidance on various learning techniques and the data types utilized by each. These techniques are effective for fraud detection across industry boundaries, including applications in insurance fraud, credit card fraud, anti–money laundering, healthcare fraud, telecommunications fraud, click fraud, tax evasion, and more, giving you a highly practical framework for fraud prevention. It is estimated that a typical organization loses about 5% of its revenue to fraud every year. More effective fraud detection is possible, and this book describes the various analytical techniques your organization must implement to put a stop to the revenue leak. Examine fraud patterns in historical data Utilize labeled, unlabeled, and networked data Detect fraud before the damage cascades Reduce losses, increase recovery, and tighten security The longer fraud is allowed to go on, the more harm it causes. It expands exponentially, sending ripples of damage throughout the organization, and becomes more and more complex to track, stop, and reverse. Fraud prevention relies on early and effective fraud detection, enabled by the techniques discussed here. Fraud Analytics Using Descriptive, Predictive, and Social Network Techniques helps you stop fraud in its tracks, and eliminate the opportunities for future occurrence.

This book examines internal fraud investigations in public and private organizations. It provides a theoretical framework of white-collar crime and convenience theory, to examine a number of case studies, including some cases brought to light by the Panama Papers. Investigating white-collar crime is distinguished from other types of crime by: concealment of the crime rather than the criminal, victims who may be unaware of the crime and not directly visible to the criminal, and the resources available to suspects. It requires a unique strategy and a unique set of tools. This work provides insight

into a number of internal investigation reports that are normally not publicly available. It will be of interest to researchers in criminology and criminal justice, particularly with an interest in white collar crime and corruption, as well as related fields such as business, management, economics, and public administration.

Updated and enhanced to help readers better understand the significance of fraud in the modern accounting world, this provocative text prepares readers to identify, detect, investigate, and prevent financial fraud. It outlines the nature of fraud and the different types of fraud, including the unique e-business fraud that is now possible in today's technological world. Chapter 6 offers expansive, cutting-edge instruction on the role of data analysis in fraud detection as well as two entire chapters on investigating theft and concealment This edition includes an all new chapter on consumer fraud, and Chapter 16 contains new material on tax fraud'providing students with unique insight into fraudulent tax reporting activities. End-of-chapter materials have been enhanced, and the Financial Statement Fraud Standards Appendix at the end of the text has been updated to include information about SAS 99 and Sarbanes-Oxley.

A portion of the proceeds from Front Row Seat will be donated to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Disease research and the Positive Coaching Alliance to help coaches lead and develop America's future leaders..America's youth sports industry has changed dramatically over the past two decades. The days of playing for your town or local YMCA team, be it baseball, soccer, basketball or lacrosse were coming to an end. There would soon be an arms race - how do I get my child on the best travel team, should I hire a personal trainer, which college showcases should my child attend, should I subscribe to a recruiting service, and so on. Youth sports had become big business.An opportunity presented itself to me to invest in a sports event business and, soon, other opportunities followed. Over the next five years or so, I was invested; personally and financially in the industry. My view and approach to the youth sports market was pretty simple - first and foremost, exceed customer expectations; deliver great experiences and value; and reinforce positive values and sportsmanship. With the advent of social media, our customers became our marketers; moms, dads and kids sharing our branded content on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, respectively. The founder of a youth sports company reached out to me and told me that he had heard good things about me and said he would like to get together and tell me more about his company. He seemed to know a fair amount about my investments and activities in the sports space. He was a bit vague about why he was contacting me, however, it felt like a good networking opportunity and you never know where meetings like this can lead. I had strong opinions about the youth sports market and a fully developed investment thesis - I was confident that there was tremendous opportunity both from an investment perspective and to provide customers with better-quality experiences. Perhaps this company would prove to be a good opportunity, a platform to execute the strategy. I agreed to meet with him. I could never have imagined what the next two years of my life would be

like. I quickly found myself wrapped in a web of lies, cover-ups, and dealing with individuals driven by ego and greed. Never in my life did I think I would be dealing with an international criminal investigation led by the U.S. Department of Justice. I was fearing for my family's safety and fighting for the rights of our employees and customers all at the same time. If that wasn't enough, I was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease.I had a front row seat to dozens of real-time business case studies; accounting issues; civil and criminal litigation; and my own path to acceptance and rediscovering what matters most.

Praise for Fraud Casebook Lessons from the Bad Side of Business. "I have known Mr. Wells for over twenty years. In my opinion, no one in the world knows more about fraud than he does.".-W. Steve Albrecht, Associate Dean, Marriott School of Man.

- Exam Code: CFE - Exam Name: Certified Fraud Examiner- Version: Last Update Version- Q & A: 161 Questions and Answers Accountants have historically had an important role in the detection and deterrence of fraud. As Joe Wells' Principles of Fraud Examination 4th edition illustrates, fraud is much more than numbers; books and records don't commit fraud – people do. Widely embraced by fraud examination instructors across the country, Principles of Fraud Examination, 4th Edition, by Joseph Wells, is written to provide a broad understanding of fraud to today's accounting students – what it is and how it is committed, prevented, detected, and resolved. This 4th edition of the text includes a chapter on frauds perpetrated against organizations by individuals outside their staff—a growing threat for many entities as commerce increasingly crosses technological and geographical borders. For courses in Accounting Fraud, Forensic Accounting, Financial Statement Fraud, Financial Statement Analysis, Ethics for Accountants, and Auditing. A case-study approach that enables students to identify key signs of fraud in financial statements Over the last two decades, financial statement fraud has become an increasingly serious issue, resulting in the collapse of ostensibly solid companies and a subsequent lack of confidence in financial markets. Detecting Accounting Fraud: Analysis and Ethics was created in response to the challenges facing accountants in this era. The text provides students a thorough overview of the most frequently used methods of overstating earnings and assets or understating debt in financial statements. It also provides detailed coverage of the main signals indicating possible fictitious reporting in financial statements to help students learn what to look for. And because breakdowns in ethics underlie accounting fraud, the text presents three major theories of ethics, plus applicable ethical decision-making models as well as opportunities for students to apply ethical models to real-world situations. This text provides a better teaching and learning experience—for you and your students. It will help you to: • Explain accounting fraud through detailed case studies: The text's real-world case study approach helps students understand the methods used to perpetrate financial statement fraud today. • Focus student attention on ethics: Ethics coverage integrated throughout the text helps students understand this topic's importance vis-à-vis accounting fraud. • Foster thorough understanding via student-focused features: An engaging, captivating writing style and diverse end-of-chapter materials motivate and assist students.

In Fraud Examiners in White-Collar Crime Investigations, Petter Gottschalk examines and evaluates the investigative processes used to combat white-collar crime. He also presents a general theory regarding the economic, organizational, and behavioral dimensions of its perpetrators.Pool Your Resources for a Successful InvestigationGottschalk emphasiz

Detect fraud faster—no matter how well hidden—with IDEA automation Fraud and Fraud Detection takes an advanced approach to fraud management, providing step-by-step guidance on automating detection and forensics using CaseWare's IDEA software. The book begins by reviewing the major types of fraud, then details the specific computerized tests that can detect them. Readers will learn to use complex data analysis techniques, including automation scripts, allowing easier and more sensitive detection of anomalies that require further review. The companion website provides access to a demo version of IDEA, along with sample scripts that allow readers to immediately test the procedures from the book. Business systems' electronic databases have grown tremendously with the rise of big data, and will continue to increase at significant rates. Fraudulent transactions are easily hidden in these enormous datasets, but Fraud and Fraud Detection helps readers gain the data analytics skills that can bring these anomalies to light. Step-by-step instruction and practical advice provide the specific abilities that will enhance the audit and investigation process. Readers will learn to: Understand the different areas of fraud and their specific detection methods Identify anomalies and risk areas using computerized techniques Develop a step-by-step plan for detecting fraud through data analytics Utilize IDEA software to automate detection and identification procedures The delineation of detection techniques for each type of fraud makes this book a must-have for students and new fraud prevention professionals, and the step-by-step guidance to automation and complex analytics will prove useful for even experienced examiners. With datasets growing exponentially, increasing both the speed and sensitivity of detection helps fraud professionals stay ahead of the game. Fraud and Fraud Detection is a guide to more efficient, more effective fraud identification.

This book discusses various common occupational and organizational fraud schemes, based on the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) fraud tree and assist fraud examiners and auditors in correctly choosing the appropriate audit tests to uncover such various fraud schemes. The book also includes information about audit test red flags to watch out for, a list of recommended controls to help prevent future fraud related incidents, as well as step-by-step demonstrations of a number of common audit tests using IDEA® as a CAATT tool.

Some have estimated that healthcare fraud in the United States results in losses of approximately $80 billion a year. Although there are many books available that describe how to "detect" healthcare fraud, few address what must be done after the fraud is detected. Filling this need, Charles Piper's Healthcare Fraud Investigation Guidebook details not only how to detect healthcare fraud, but also how to "investigate" and prove the wrongdoing to increase the likelihood of successful prosecution in court. The book starts by covering the history of healthcare insurance and the various types of fraud schemes. It presents Charles Piper's unique approach to investigating (The Piper Method) which allows readers to conduct as many as 10 simultaneous investigations for each case. It emphasizes the importance of simultaneously searching for waste and abuse as well as systemic weaknesses

and deficiencies that caused or contributed to the problem or wrongdoing under investigation and then make recommendations for improvement. It also provides: Questions to ask whistleblowers, complainants, employers, employees, and healthcare providers who are suspects Tips on investigative case planning, goals, and strategies Sample visual aids for use when briefing others about your investigative findings Guidance on presenting information obtained from healthcare investigations and on how to testify in court Techniques for uncovering previously undetected fraud The book includes a sample case study that walks readers through a mock case—from the time the case is received through the end. The case study demonstrates how to initiate, plan, and conduct a thorough and complete healthcare fraud investigation while incorporating Piper's proven methodology. Sharing insights gained through Charles Piper's decades of experience as a federal special agent and certified fraud examiner, the Healthcare Fraud Investigation Guidebook aims to revolutionize the way that healthcare fraud investigations are conducted. It provides the understanding you need to not only put a bandage on the problem of healthcare fraud, but to actually start curing the greed that is poisoning the healthcare industry.

Part 2 of 2 Today we are releasing Version 2 of the CFPB Supervision and Examination Manual, the guide our examiners use in overseeing companies that provide consumer financial products and services. Our manual, originally released in October 2011, describes how the CFPB supervises and examines these providers and gives our examiners direction on how to determine if companies are complying with consumer financial protection laws. We updated the supervision manual to reflect the renumbering of the consumer financial protection regulations for which the CFPB is responsible. The numbering conventions in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) allow the reader to easily identify which regulations fall under a particular agency's responsibility. The renumbering incorporated throughout the manual reflects the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010 transfer of rulemaking responsibility for many consumer financial protection regulations from other Federal agencies to the CFPB. In December 2011, the CFPB published its renumbered regulations in the Federal Register. The renumbered regulations also included certain technical changes but no substantive changes. The CFPB's renumbering reflects the codification of its regulations in Title 12 (Banks and Banking), Chapter X (Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection) of the CFR. For example, before July 21, 2011, the Federal Reserve had rulemaking authority for the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, which was codified in Title 12, Chapter II (Federal Reserve System), Part 203. The CFPB's implementing regulation for the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act is now codified in Title 12, Chapter X, Part 1003.

The 2007 Fraud Examiners Manual (Canadian Edition) is a comprehensive guide that fully explains the latest information on fraud examination techniques, methods, and procedures. More than three-quarters of the CFE Examination is drawn directly from the Fraud Examiners Manual. The 2007 Canadian Edition incorporates and explores the significance of recent legislation and the direct impact it has on you. Numerous chapters have been added or revised, integrating new developments in the field of fraud prevention and detection.

Help your students understand the growing significance of fraud in today's accounting world as the latest edition of this engaging text teaches how to identify, detect, investigate, and prevent financial fraud. FRAUD EXAMINATION 4E closely examines the

nature of fraud using memorable business examples and captivating actual fraud including recent developments in e-business fraud. Students explore how technology is increasingly involved in fraud and how it can be used to detect fraud as well as what the legal options are for victims of fraud. Significant new discussion of forensic analysis expands students' understanding of the field, while a fresh, clean design increases readability and student appeal. New learning features and strong end-of-chapter exercises draw attention to the most important information and drive critical thinking. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The essential resource for fraud examiners around the globe The International Fraud Handbook provides comprehensive guidance toward effective anti-fraud measures around the world. Written by the founder and chairman of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), this book gives examiners a one-stop resource packed with authoritative information on cross-border fraud investigations, examination methodology, risk management, detection, prevention, response, and more, including new statistics from the ACFE 2018 Report to the Nations on Occupational Fraud and Abuse that reveal the prevalence and real-world impact of different types of fraud. Examples and detailed descriptions of the major types of fraud demonstrate the various manifestations examiners may encounter in organizations and show readers how to spot the "red flags" and develop a robust anti-fraud program. In addition, this book includes jurisdiction-specific information on the anti-fraud environment for more than 35 countries around the globe. These country-focused discussions contributed by local anti-fraud experts provide readers with the information they need when conducting cross-border engagements, including applicable legal and regulatory requirements, the types and sources of information available when investigating fraud, foundational anti-fraud frameworks, cultural considerations, and more. The rising global economy brings both tremendous opportunity and risks that are becoming increasingly difficult to manage. As a result, many jurisdictions are attempting to strengthen their anti-fraud environments — whether through stricter anti-bribery laws or more stringent risk management guidelines — but a lack of uniformity in legal rules and guidance can be challenging for organizations doing business abroad. This book helps examiners mitigate fraud in their own organizations, while taking the necessary steps to prevent potential legal exposure. Understand the different types of fraud, their common elements, and their impacts across an organization Conduct a thorough risk assessment and implement effective response and control activities Learn the ACFE's standard investigation methodology for domestic and cross-border fraud investigations Explore fraud trends and region-specific information for countries on every continent As levels of risk increase and the risks themselves become more complex, the International Fraud Handbook gives examiners a robust resource for more effective prevention and detection.

Get started preparing for the CFE Exam now. Whether you prefer a self-paced computer course, or a live instructor-led event, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) has the resources you need to become a CFE. Pick your study method and pass all four sections the first time! Here we've brought best Exam practice questions for you so that you can prepare well for CFE exam. Unlike other online simulation practice tests, you get an eBook/Paperback version that is easy to read & remember these questions. You can simply rely on these questions for successfully certifying this exam.

In the 4th edition of The Manual or Online Public Records, authors Sankey and Hetherington shed new light on the mystique of finding public records from government and private sources. The What, Where, and How of online public record access is contained herein on a nationwide basis. Two words epitomize the benefits readers will gain from this completely revised 4th edition: efficiency and accuracy. New chapters explore how to analyze record searching methodology and how to best use social media sites for advanced, creative techniques of finding electronic and paper trails of records. An analysis of 15,000+ government sites is arranged in individual state chapters. Data is presented in a format that is easy-to-use and practical in wording as well as spiked with subjective comments on value and benefits. Readers will soon learn of detailed information on key locations, including data not found from a Google Search. The Manual also provides techniques on how to narrow the overwhelming array of vendors to find those sites that best suit a researcher s needs. More than any of the earlier editions, this resource provides the competitive edge for concise record research."

In 2009, high-profile fraud cases like the Ponzi schemes of Bernard Madoff and Arthur Nadel vividly illustrated the harm done to investors who placed their trust in these apparently successful money managers and then discovered their money had never been invested at all. News stories featured 90-year-olds forced by necessity to work in supermarkets, elderly people losing their homes because their life savings were gone, and wealthy retirees suddenly unable to pay their electricity bills. Charities were forced to curtail their services, lay off staff, and even close their doors forever as their funds evaporated. Almost every day, there are stories in the media about dishonest employees who have robbed their organisations of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Not so well-publicised are the countless smaller thefts occurring every day from cash registers, warehouses, and business bank accounts. Sadly, the organisations that have the most to lose small businesses, family-run companies, churches, and charities are often the most vulnerable because of their size and inexperience. According to the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, accounting fraud cost over $994 billion in 2008, and the average organisation lost 7 percent of its total revenue to fraud. How can you prevent this from happening to you as an investor, business owner, or a person attempting to acquire or merge with another firm? Read this book and you will be able to understand, detect, and avoid accounting fraud. You will learn how to identify fraud, how to spot minor abnormalities that may hide fraud, how to spot forgeries, and how to prove your case, as well as what to immediately suspect and methods for uncovering scams. You will know what signs to look for, including excessive turnover of lawyers and auditors, changing professionals in the middle of a transaction, inconsistent information, and significant declines in stock prices. In addition, you will know how to recognise the common manoeuvres, earnings manipulation, premature and fictitious revenue, overvalued assets, undervalued liabilities, bogus revenue, expenses that have been shifted to another period, overstating revenues, understating expenses, and the misuse and misdirecting of funds. This new book is filled with studies and discussions of fraud cases and how they could have been avoided, checklists for detecting accounts misdeeds, and advice from analysts, CFOs, and CPAs. This manual will be an indispensable aid for serious investors, industry pros, acquisition and merger managers, and small business owners alike. After reading this book you will no longer have to worry about accounting fraud and you can

increase your company's profits.

Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination introduces students and professionals to the world of fraud detection and deterrence, providing a solid foundation in core concepts and methods for both public and private sector environments. Aligned with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) model curriculum, this text provides comprehensive and up-to-date coverage of asset misappropriation, corruption, fraud, and other topics a practicing forensic accountant encounters on a daily basis. A focus on real-world practicality employs current examples and engaging case studies to reinforce comprehension, while in-depth discussions clarify technical concepts in an easily relatable style. End of chapter material and integrated IDEA and Tableau software cases introduces students to the powerful, user-friendly tools accounting professionals use to maximize auditing and analytic capabilities, detect fraud, and comply with documentation requirements, and coverage of current methods and best practices provides immediate relevancy to real-world scenarios. Amidst increased demand for forensic accounting skills, even for entry-level accountants, this text equips students with the knowledge and skills they need to successfully engage in the field.

Contract and procurement fraud, collusion, and corruption are worldwide problems. Such wrongdoing causes federal, state, and local governments, as well as private-sector corporations and businesses, to lose funds and profits, while the wrongdoers unjustly benefit. Bid riggers conspire to eliminate fair and open competition and unjustly increase prices, allowing some to monopolize industries. Too often, contracting officials and others responsible for placing orders or awarding contracts compromise their integrity and eliminate fair and open competition to favor vendors offering bribes or gifts. This results in unfair playing fields for vendors and causes financial losses for businesses, government agencies, and taxpayers. Charles Piper's Contract and Procurement Fraud and Corruption Investigation Guidebook educates readers on fraud and corruption schemes that occur before, during, and after contracts are awarded. This book teaches not only how to identify such wrongdoing, but also how to investigate it and prevent reoccurrence. Piper shares the Piper Method of Conducting Thorough and Complete Investigations, his innovative and proven method of investigating contract and procurement fraud, and demonstrates its principles with personal, on-the-job examples (which he calls "War Stories") woven throughout the text. Intended for criminal justice students, as well as investigators, auditors, examiners, business owners, policy-makers, and other professionals potentially affected by fraud, this book is a must-read guide to effective procurement and contract fraud investigations from inception to testimony.

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