



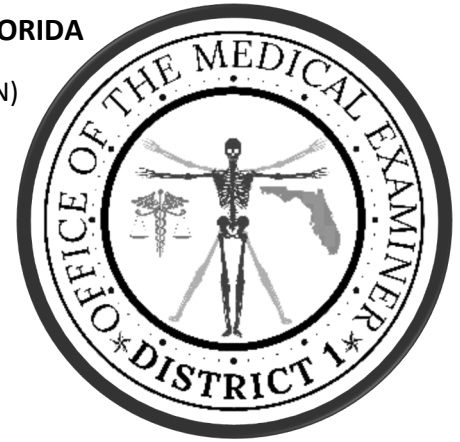
## **DISTRICT ONE MEDICAL EXAMINER – PENSACOLA, FLORIDA**

**POSITION:** Forensic Investigator I or II (FULL-TIME POSITION)

**START DATE:** Immediate

**HOURLY RATE:** \$19.50 to \$22.25  
(Commensurate with Experience and Qualifications)

**CLOSING DATE:** Until Filled



### **ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Receive notification of deaths from witnesses, medical professionals, law enforcement personnel, funeral homes, or others in attendance
- Investigate causes of unexpected, suspicious, or unattended deaths to determine jurisdiction as authorized by Florida Statute Chapter 406
- Attend death scenes to document the scene, including but not limited to taking photographs and collecting physical evidence
- Coordinate transport of bodies from death scenes to the medical examiner's office
- Interview persons who may have information related to deaths
- Prepare detailed investigative reports in a timely manner
- Start and complete death certification records
- Confer with law enforcement, hospital, and mortuary officials to obtain dental records, fingerprints, X-rays, or additional specimens as necessary to identify bodies
- Obtain medical records as needed
- Locate next-of-kin and notify of medical examiner involvement; advise family members of circumstances and causes of deaths and of processes and procedures of the medical examiner's office
- Attend court proceedings and give testimony
- Perform other related duties as required by state and national accreditation standards
- Be available to work office hours, after hours, on-call, weekends, and holidays, on a rotating schedule or as deemed necessary for mass disaster response or emergency preparedness for natural disasters

### **Forensic Investigator I Minimum Qualifications:**

- Must sit for and pass the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigation (ABMDI) diplomate exam within one year of employment
- High School Diploma
- Current Florida driver's license or the ability to obtain one within 30 days of employment

### **PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS**

- Prior death investigation, law enforcement, or medical experience
- Some college education in any relevant field of study

### **Forensic Investigator II Minimum Qualifications:**

- American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigation (ABMDI) - Diplomate
- One year of experience as a Forensic Investigator I, or equivalent experience in death investigation, law enforcement, or medicine
- High School Diploma
- Current Florida driver's license or the ability to obtain one within 30 days of employment

### **PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS**

- Two or more years of experience as a Forensic Investigator I, or equivalent experience in death investigation, law enforcement, or medicine
- Some college education in any relevant field of study

**Knowledge:** Basic to intermediate medical terminology. Basic to intermediate anatomy and physiology. Basic understanding of death from myocardial infarction, CVA, organ failure, sepsis, accidental and nonaccidental trauma, asphyxiation, and other common causes of death. Basic understanding of the different manners of death. Basic understanding of common prescription, non-prescription and illicit drugs.

**Abilities:** Evaluate information from medical records. Submit concise and coherent reports in oral and written form. Establish and maintain cooperative professional work relationships with persons from a variety of organizations and agencies. Comfortably assist persons bereaved by the death of a loved one and professionally manage emotional situations related to death. Be able to concentrate on more than one task at a time and to make independent decisions.

**Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:** Must have reliable transportation with insurance and a valid driver's license. Must be able to obtain ABMDI registered status.

**Physical Demands:** Acceptable eyesight and hearing to perform investigator duties. Able to sit, stand, or walk for long periods of time, to walk up and down stairs, and to get into and out of vehicle repeatedly. Must be able to lift, carry, drag, or push, an average body weight of 150 to 200 lbs., both alone and with help. Must have gross motor skills to include hand dexterity, full use of fingers, hands, arms, and good grip strength to perform investigative duties.

**Other Requirements:** Able to work in hazardous or dangerous work areas or situations. Capable of working under stressful situations and while fatigued. Able to wear personal protective equipment, as required. Able and willing to work nights, weekends and holidays in a rotating schedule or as needed. This position is considered essential therefore you must be able to report to work during times of emergency declaration or mass fatality incidents.

**Benefits:** Health, Dental, and Vision insurance. Non-contributing 401K plan. Paid Time Off and Paid Holidays. On-Call pay, shared take-home agency vehicle for on-call shifts, and clothing allowance. All required equipment will be supplied by the employer.

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