

STATE BAR OF TEXAS

INTERNAL AUDIT OF SECTIONS

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Agenda

- Introductions
- Focus Areas
- Audit Purpose
- Audit Timeline
- Audit Review and Testing
- Reporting
- ⇒ Q&A

Financial Systems Financial Reporting Policy Compliance

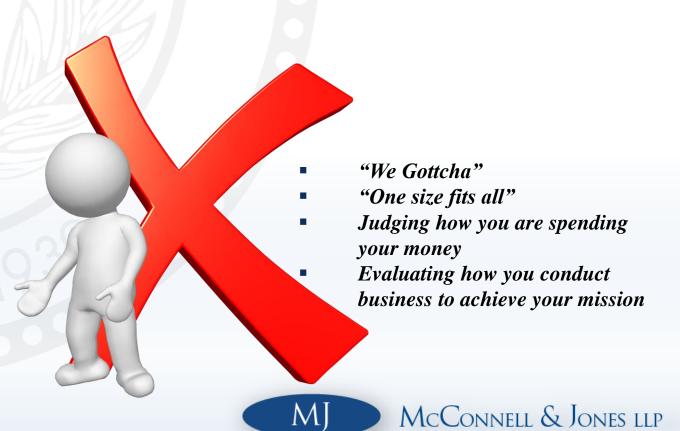
Scope Period: June 1, 2019 – August 31, 2020

Audit Purpose



Evaluate internal controls you use to protect your money: segregation of duties, revenues, disbursements, bank accounts and accounting systems.

- Determine if your accounts are reconciled in an accurate and timely manner with outstanding items followed up on.
- Distinguish differences before and after you adopted your policies and procedures.
- Establishing a baseline for future audits
 - Providing guidance on ways you can improve your internal controls and/or close gaps in your financial management systems.





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Timeline



October 21 – 27, 2020

- Deploy electronic surveys
- Schedule interviews and walkthroughs
- Gather data
- Select samples

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October 28 - November 3, 2020

- Conduct virtual interviews and walkthroughs
- Review data collected
- Sample testing and audit procedures

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November 4 – November 9, 2020

- Complete audit testing
- "Vetting"
- Issue draft report



Audit Review and Testing

- Section Bylaws, Internal Policies & Procedures
- Bank and Investment Statements
- Bank and Investment Account Reconciliations
- Bank Signatory Lists
- Financial Reports
- Revenue Generating Activities
- Expense Approvals
- Budgeting Process and Approval
- Documentation of Financial Oversight in Meeting Minutes

Audit Reporting

Finding is:

- Non-compliance
- Internal Control Weakness

Improvement is:

- **Enhancement** to existing controls
- Process efficiency

1. One report will be issued. We will discuss findings identified for specific section(s) with the respective section's Chair and Treasurer.

All sections will have opportunity to provide feedback on any findings and recommendations that apply across the general population.

Draft report will be provided to section officers.

Audit results will be presented at the Council of Chairs meeting. (Feb. 26, 2021)

5. Final report will be presented to Board of Directors at the April 2021 meeting.

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