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Editorial Review

From the Inside Flap
Expert Fraud Investigation

A Step-by-Step Guide

A sharp, savvy examination of financial fraud, *Expert Fraud Investigation: A Step-by-Step Guide* is one of the few books to take the leap from theoretical discussion to the actual nuts and bolts of performing an investigation. Fraud expert Tracy Coenen offers an insider look at many of the most common types of fraud cases and points out some of the best methods for analyzing the books and records to search for proof of fraud.

An invaluable tool to help professionals understand how financial fraud occurs in an organization and what to do when it is found or suspected, all the guidance needed to uncover corporate fraud is here, from the point of opening an investigation, selecting a team, through the entire investigative process, including:

- The most common fraud schemes
- The difference between audits and investigations
- Effectively managing the investigation
- Looking for fraud in little things
- Using public and private records in investigations
- Getting creative as a fraud investigator
- Uncovering asset misappropriation schemes, financial statement fraud, corruption schemes, and external fraud schemes
- How to prevent fraud from happening in the first place

Does your organization need to conduct a fraud investigation? Who needs to be involved? *Expert Fraud Investigation* gives you access to all the necessary background on fraud, the various types of fraud investigations, as well as the legalities involved. Making a difficult undertaking more manageable, this essential book arms you with the tools to take your organization step by step through the process of an effective fraud investigation.

From the Back Cover
Praise for Expert Fraud Investigation

"Fraud is a constant evil that attacks businesses, consumers, and government. The financial and reputational impact of fraud can be devastating, but education and awareness are key weapons in the war on this crime. With this new book, Tracy Coenen delivers an excellent primer on the many fraud schemes as well as practical investigative techniques to detect and prevent fraud."

—**Martin T. Biegelman, Director of Financial Integrity, Microsoft Corporation**

"The lack of effective fraud training by auditors made my job easier as the criminal CFO of Crazy Eddie. I was lucky, since Tracy Coenen was too young to be a forensic accountant back in my criminal days. Acclaimed forensic accountant Tracy Coenen's fraud investigation book will cause many criminals to take early involuntary retirement or be forced out of business."

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"In *Expert Fraud Investigation*, Tracy Coenen does an excellent job of educating the reader on a wide variety of fraud schemes and providing a step-by-step process on how to conduct a fraud investigation. This is a must-read for anyone who wants to learn more about the basics of how to prevent, detect, and investigate fraud."

—Cynthia Cooper, Author of *Extraordinary Circumstances: The Journey of a Corporate Whistleblower*

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