Connecticut Society of CPAs Peer Review program

2023 Annual Report on Peer Review Activities Date Issued March 18, 2024

I. Administering Entity Oversight Process and Procedures

Oversight is a process where a firm's review/reviewer is observed by another peer reviewer. The AICPA sets the minimum number of system and engagement review oversights required by each administering entity annually.

A member of the CTCPA's Peer Review Committee or other approved qualified individual performs the oversight.

Oversight may include visiting the firm as part of the peer review process or reviewing specific engagements. Alternatively, oversight may be performed after the review is complete. Oversight includes review of the reports, financial statements, and firm work papers.

Firms may be chosen for oversight based on several factors including but limited to the types of peer review reports previously received, high risk engagements performed by the firm, or if it's the firm's first peer review.

Reviewers may be chosen for oversight due to factors including but not limited to a reviewer who issues an atypical percentage of pass peer review reports, conducting reviews for firms with audits in high-risk industries, or known performance deficiencies. Reviewers may also be chosen randomly, or on a rotating basis.

II. Summary of Peer Review Program(s)

- 1) As of December 31, 2023, the Connecticut Society of CPAs administers peer reviews for 291 firms enrolled in the AICPA Peer Review program.
- 2) Results of Peer Reviews Accepted During 2023.
 - a) Results by Type of Peer Review and Report Issued

		AICPA Peer Review Program	
System Reviews	number	%	
Pass	31	91.18%	
Pass with deficiency(ies)	2	5.88%	
Fail	1	2.94%	
Total	34	100.00%	
Engagement Reviews	number	%	
Pass	51	85.00%	
Pass with deficiency(ies)	5	8.33%	
Fail	4	6.67%	
Total	60	100.00%	

b) Type and Number of Reasons for Report Deficiencies for System Reviews

	AICPA Peer Review Program
Leadership responsibilities for quality within the firm ("the tone at the top")	1
Relevant ethical requirements	1
Acceptance and continuance of client relationships and specific	
engagements	1
Human resources	2
Engagement performance	3
Monitoring	2
Total	10

c) Number of Engagements Not Performed or Reported on in Conformity with Professional Standards in All Material Respects (Nonconforming engagements)

	AICPA Peer Review Program		
	Engagement Reviewed		
		Nonconforming	
Engagement Type	Reviewed	engagements	%
Audits:			
Single Audit	10	3	30.00%
Government Auditing Standards – All Other	7	0	0.00%
ERISA	12	3	%
FDICIA	0	0	n/a
Other	41	4	9.76%
Reviews	62	4	6.45%
Compilations and Preparations:			
With Disclosures	51	6	11.76%
Omit Disclosures	77	2	2.60%
Financial Forecasts & Projections	0	0	n/a
SOC Reports	1	0	0.00%
Agreed Upon Procedures	11	0	0.00%
Other SSAEs	0	0	n/a
Totals	272	22	8.90%

d) Summary of Required Follow-up Actions (includes corrective actions and implementation plans)

	AICPA
	Peer
	Review
Type of Follow-Up Action	Program
Agree to take/submit proof of certain CPE	15
Agree to pre-issuance reviews	5
Agree to review of remediation of nonconforming engagements	
Agree to hire outside party to review quality control document	
Total	26

III. Oversight Process

Oversight Results

a) Peer reviews

AICPA Peer Review Program Firms

Type of Door	Must Select	
Type of Peer Review	Engagements (GAGAS, ERISA)	Total Oversights
System	1	2
Engagement	n/a	2

b) Oversight Performed on the AE

The results of our most recent oversight performed by the AICPA Oversight Task Force, which covers only the AICPA Peer Review Program, are available on the <u>AICPA's website</u>.