

## Candidate for State Auditor and Inspector

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**Question #1:** List your academic and professional credentials, specific accomplishments and volunteer activities. State why you are running and what qualifies you for this office. (100 words total)

Bachelors degree in Accounting and Masters in Business Administration. I have 25 years experience in governmental accounting and auditing including the discovery, documentation, and assistance to prosecutors with numerous fraud audits and investigations. Some of the most notable include; former Insurance Commissioner Carroll Fisher, former Governor David Walters, and former SEOSU President, Leon Hibbs. My qualifications and experience are superior the other candidates. I would like to continue a career of auditing and reestablish an effective and efficient relationship with county, state, and federal prosecutors.

**Question #2:** What do you see as the most important issues facing your office and staff? (200 words or less)

The most important issue facing the State Auditor is fraud in state and local government. The temptation facing county and state officials entrusted with public funds has never been greater than during these dismal economic conditions. In order to preserve and protect those funds, the State Auditor's Office must be organized and operated at such an extremely high level of efficiency that anyone considering misappropriation would be deterred for fear of being discovered. The Office must also be ready, willing, and able to discover, document, and assist prosecutors when public funds are illegally diverted from their intended purpose. To accomplish this task, the Auditor's staff must receive training and support in discovery and documentation of instances of fraud that will allow prosecutors to hold criminals accountable for their actions. In addition to the pursuit of fraud, the State Auditor and staff must insure government is operated to maximize the benefit of moneys collected from Oklahoma taxpayers to provide services for the public. Waste and abuse of public monies must be identified and corrected.