



**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
invites applications for the position of:**

Associate Medical Examiner (Forensic Pathologist)

SALARY: \$178,337.60 - \$208,232.99 Annually
DIVISION: Medical Examiners Office
OPENING DATE: 12/09/19
CLOSING DATE: 02/28/21 11:59 PM
DESCRIPTION:

This is a sensitive government position.

Please review the [GBI Employment Disqualifiers](#) before applying for this position. Employment for the selected candidate(s) is contingent upon the successful completion of a GBI background investigation including criminal, credit and driver's history checks, polygraph examination, fingerprinting and drug screening.

The State Medical Examiner's Office, within the Division of Forensic Sciences, Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) is seeking qualified applicants to fill an Associate Medical Examiner (Forensic Pathologist) position at the GBI headquarters facility in Decatur, Georgia or at the GBI Central Regional Laboratory in Dry Branch ([Macon](#)), Georgia.

The laboratory location (Decatur or Macon) will be dependent upon the selected applicant.

The successful applicant will join a system that encompasses two regional medical examiner offices located in Savannah and Macon, Georgia, in addition to the headquarters facility, located in Decatur, Georgia [Atlanta]. Collectively, these three offices provide complete forensic pathology services to 154 of the 159 counties in Georgia.

The State Medical Examiner's Office has a total of 15 medical examiners throughout the state, including a board certified pediatric pathologist staffed at headquarters. This office also operates the Child Abuse Investigative Support Center, which provides consultative services to law enforcement, district attorneys, the Division of Family and Children's Services, and other agencies, where inflicted injury is suspected in living children.

The **Decatur** [headquarters] facility handles approximately 2,700 postmortem examinations per year, including about 400 to 475 homicides. The **Decatur** [headquarters] medical examiner's staff currently consists of one (1) chief medical examiner, one (1) deputy chief medical examiner, nine (9) associate medical examiners, eighteen (18) death investigation specialists, one (1) graphic & visual art specialist, and five (5) office support staff. The average caseload per pathologist is between 250-300 cases per year.

Decatur, Georgia is located within the Atlanta metropolitan area, a premier destination for business professionals and their families. The metro Atlanta region is home to more than 5.3

million people and nearly 150,000 businesses, a world-class airport, multiple parks and green space, competitive schools and numerous amenities for entertainment, sports and restaurants that all offer a top-tier quality of life. From its diverse economy, global access, abundant talent and low costs of business and lifestyle, metro Atlanta is a great place to call "home." Residents have easy access to arts, culture, sports and nightlife, and can experience all four seasons, with mild winters that rarely require a snow shovel. Learn more at:

<http://www.metroatlantachamber.com>.

The [Central Regional Laboratory](#) in Dry Branch, GA performs approximately 550 autopsies per year. The Central Regional Laboratory medical examiner's staff currently consists of one (1) doctor, four (4) death investigation specialists, and one (1) support staff; these are in addition to the attached crime laboratory with its entire staff. The average caseload per pathologist is between 250-300 cases per year.

[Dry Branch](#) is a city in Bibb County and is located right outside of Macon, GA along interstate 16. [Macon](#) nicknamed the "Heart of Georgia" is a city located in Central Georgia with a big city feel, but it's still a small town. Macon is one of those cities that keeps alive the architectural splendor of the old South. Ever hospitable, the city has one of the south's largest and most beautiful collections of antebellum churches and homes. Take your time to walk the city streets adorned by thousands of cherry trees, snapping the old brick buildings that have been carefully looked after for many decades. Just outside Macon you can set off for water-based exploits along the Ocmulgee Water River Water Trail or see one of America's largest collections of military aircraft at the Robins Air Force Base.

Learn more at: <https://www.maconga.org/about/> or <https://www.maconchamber.com/>.

The GBI Medical Examiner's Office is accredited by the National Association of Medical Examiners. To learn more about the GBI Medical Examiner's Office, visit <http://gbi.georgia.gov/medical-examiners-office>.

JOB DUTIES:

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Associate Medical Examiner (Forensic Pathologist) performs medicolegal autopsies under the provisions of the Georgia Death Investigation Act; generates examination reports for dissemination in a timely and efficient manner; provides expert courtroom and deposition testimony in judicial proceedings; and consults with law enforcement agencies and attorneys who work within the criminal system. The Associate Medical Examiner may perform other duties as directed by the Chief Medical Examiner.

QUALIFICATIONS:

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Medical Doctor licensed to practice medicine in the state of Georgia or the ability to obtain Georgia licensure as required by state law

AND

Successful completion of an Anatomic Pathology residency and Forensic Pathology fellowship from an accredited institution

AND

Eligible for certification by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic Pathology and Forensic Pathology OR Anatomic Pathology, Clinical Pathology, and Forensic Pathology

CONDITION(S) OF EMPLOYMENT

Selected candidate must be able to work a flexible schedule to meet the needs of the business

which may require working weekends and/or holidays. Selected candidate must also be available to receive and respond to telephone inquiries from home, while acting in an on-call status.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

SALARY AND BENEFITS

The starting salary is commensurate with board certification status and work experience:

*An applicant who is not fully Board Certified and has five (5) years or less of forensic pathology experience will start at **\$178,337.60 per year**.

* An applicant who is fully Board Certified and has five (5) years or less of forensic pathology experience will start at **\$195,851.04 per year**.

* An applicant who is fully Board Certified and has six (6) years or more of forensic pathology experience pathology experience, will start at **\$208,232.99 per year**.

Advancement within the salary structure is commensurate with cumulative experience, and achievement of full Board Certification status for those who are hired but are not yet fully Board Certified.

GBI offers a generous benefits package. Employees earn vacation time and sick leave and are granted 12 paid holidays each year. There are a variety of benefit options to choose from, including vision, dental, health and life insurance. We also offer an employee retirement plan and deferred compensation options.

The GBI reserves the right to close this job announcement once a qualified applicant pool has been identified.

- Due to the volume of applications we receive, we are unable to provide information on application status by phone or by e-mail. All qualified applicants will be considered but may not necessarily receive an interview. Applicants who are not selected for an interview will not receive notification.
- **Foreign Education:** Applicants who have completed part or all of their education outside the U.S. must have their foreign education evaluated by an accredited organization to ensure that the foreign education is equivalent to education received in accredited educational institutions in the U.S. **This evaluation must be a course-by-course evaluation that includes each completed course/subject and the U.S. credit equivalent. Applicants must submit a copy of the credential evaluation as part of the application process.** For a listing of services that can perform this evaluation, see the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services website at <http://www.naces.org/members.htm>.
- Due to budget constraints, the GBI is unable to sponsor or take over sponsorship of an employment visa.

THE GBI IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://www.gbi.georgia.gov>

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Position #20-034
ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER (FORENSIC
PATHOLOGIST)
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