

Deputy Chief Medical Examiner Position Opening – Biloxi, Mississippi

The Mississippi State Medical Examiner's Office (MSMEO) has an opening for the position of Forensic Pathologist/Deputy Chief Medical Examiner at the Gulf Coast Forensics Laboratory in Biloxi, MS. This position is currently vacant and will remain an open posting until the position is filled. The facility is a satellite of the MSMEO, and is collocated with the regional crime lab which shares a campus with the Mississippi Bureau of Investigation and the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics. Job responsibilities include performing postmortem forensic examinations and autopsies, assisting in medicolegal death investigations, testifying as an expert witness in court, supervising the operational activities of the facility, and performing other related duties as assigned. The case load and number of counties to be serviced by the satellite office are negotiable.

Salary and Benefits

The salary for this position is \$190,000 per year. Successful candidates are eligible to participate in state health care, dental, vision, and life insurance programs. Personal leave, medical leave, and compensation time may be accrued. State employees receive ten paid state holidays, and they contribute to the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) of Mississippi (<http://www.pers.ms.gov/Pages/Home.aspx>).

Position and Certification Requirements

Candidates will be physicians (MD or DO) who have graduated from an accredited school of medicine or osteopathic medicine and completed approved residency training in pathology with a fellowship in forensic pathology at an accredited institution. Candidates shall be board certified in anatomic and forensic pathology through the American Board of Pathology. Individuals must obtain a medical license to practice in the State of Mississippi (https://www.ms.gov/medical_licensure/renewal/Main.do , 601-987-3079), submit a state employment application, and pass a thorough background check.

Office and Area Information

The Mississippi State Medical Examiner's Office falls under the Mississippi Department of Public Safety. The office is collocated and directly affiliated with the Mississippi State Crime Laboratory headquarters in new state-of-the-art facilities in Pearl, MS, a suburb of the capital Jackson. There are currently two board-certified forensic pathologists on staff along with two PhD forensic anthropologists (one is board certified and specializes in the analysis of skeletal trauma, and the other has an extensive background in stable isotope analysis), and one board-certified forensic odontologist. There are seven autopsy assistants and two administrators on staff. The four main autopsy suites are equipped with monitors and the Avreo radiographic software program which is tied into the digital Quantum Medical Imaging system used for full body radiology. A fifth autopsy suite is dedicated to anthropology. Dental radiology is digital using the DEXIS software program and the NOMAD Pro 2 imaging equipment. All resources of the State Medical Examiner's Office are available to the satellite facility.

The satellite office is located in Biloxi, MS (Harrison County), north of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. There are two autopsy suites, a radiology suite, and an office. The facility is staffed by one autopsy assistant and one administrator. Harrison County is home to approximately 187,000 residents and is situated near the coastline running along the beautiful Gulf of Mexico.

Water recreation, fishing, shrimping, hunting, and sporting events are popular attractions with New Orleans 90 miles west and Pensacola, FL, 120 miles east of Biloxi. The area is famous for its outstanding restaurants, casinos, and entertainment. For more information visit:

<http://visitmississippi.org/>.

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