

GOVERNMENT DIVISION

OUR DISTINCTION – SERVING GOVERNMENTS ACROSS GEORGIA

The Government Division, led by Clay Pilgrim, places Rushton among Georgia's top firms specializing in the highly complex field of governmental accounting. Composed of seasoned CPAs and professional staff, Rushton's audit team works with a wide array of municipal and county governments as well as public authorities ranging in budget size from \$1 million up to \$100 million.

KEY SERVICES FOR GOVERNMENTS

- Audits
- Financial statements
- Internal control and compliance
- Fraud investigation
- Financial management and consulting
- Teaching and training
- Assistance with bond issuances

HOW WE CAN BEST SERVE YOU

Provide Consistent, Top-Level Expertise: Unlike larger audit firms, Rushton assigns one team who is consistently focused on your account throughout the audit period as well as the rest of the year. In addition, you can be assured of working with top-level experts as opposed to a rotating staff of trainees or lesser experienced personnel.

Maintain the Highest Professional Standards: Whether it's Single Audit or GASB, our audit team keeps you up to date. We constantly monitor the issuance of new audit rules and accounting standards for governments to assure that your finance staff is fully informed in advance. We also are proud to have helped numerous governments achieve the GFOA's Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting.



Clay Pilgrim, CPA, CFE, CFF leads Rushton's Government Division. He is certified both as a fraud examiner and a financial forensics expert. He also provides financial training for government, non-profit and business clients.



Chris Hollifield, CPA, Audit Partner in the Government Division. He is recognized statewide for his expertise in government accounting and internal controls.



Samuel Latimer, CPA is an Audit Manager.



Julie George, CPA is an Audit Manager who heads up Rushton's West Georgia office.

Share and Implement Best Practices: In working with over 40 governmental entities, our audit team is in a unique position to share successful practices and solutions. Where the work of other audit firms stops with the issuance of a professional opinion, we go far beyond in helping you successfully carry out our recommendations.

Teach and Train: Our staff is frequently called on for instructional training on a wide array of financial topics on behalf of such government associations as the Georgia Government Finance Officers Association. As your government audit partner, your staff receives our exclusive focus and attention through seminars, one-on-one meetings, and informative newsletters.

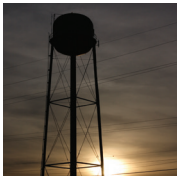
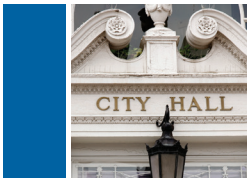
Fraud and Forensic Accounting: Our audit staff is certified in fraud examination and forensic accounting, providing a combined knowledge of law and investigative techniques to uncover irregularities and implement safeguards when necessary.

Partner for Success: We believe our success comes from supporting your success. While our firm is widely recognized for its governmental expertise, our service and devotion to clients is what truly separates us from the rest.



A few of our government partners

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