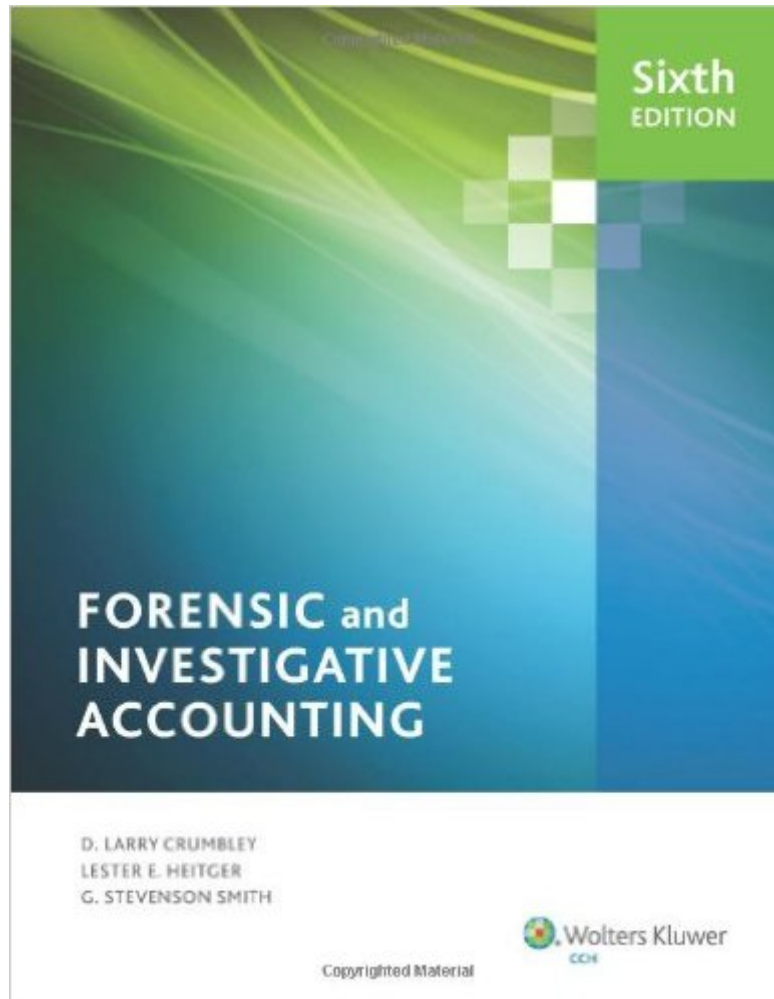


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Synopsis

Forensic accounting is a growing area of practice in which the knowledge, skills and abilities of advanced accounting are combined with investigative expertise and applied to legal problems. Forensic accountants are often asked to provide litigation support where they are called on to give expert testimony about financial data and accounting activities. In other more proactive engagements, they probe situations using special investigative accounting skills and techniques. Some even see forensic accounting as practiced by skilled accounting specialists becoming part and parcel of most financial audits--an extra quality control step in the auditing process that will help reduce financial statement fraud. CCH's Forensic and Investigative Accounting (6th Edition) is a complete and readily teachable text on today's most timely accounting topics. Written by three top accounting and forensic teachers, this text covers all the important underpinnings, as well as the substance of forensic accounting. It covers both litigation support and investigative accounting, examining the practical aspects of these two areas, as well as many of the newer technological areas. Forensic and Investigative Accounting explains and demonstrates how an effective forensic accountant needs a solid understanding of accounting, investigative auditing techniques, criminology, and courtroom procedures, as well as excellent communications skills, both written and oral. In today's litigious and highly regulated climate, all accountants--external, internal, forensic consultants and corporate accountants--must possess this knowledge base and develop these techniques. This intriguing text provides unparalleled guidance to help develop the mindset and the skillset to meet the evolving challenges facing accountants today. The 6th Edition includes new fraud schemes, numerous new eyewitness and spotlight stories, and new forensic techniques and tools, such as timeline analysis, link analysis, invigilation, genograms, and proof of cash, entity charts, and full-and-false inclusion tests. This edition brings the reader up to date with the latest cybercrime activity and cases, and it documents the latest corruption schemes and explains how to find and prevent them.

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Customer Reviews

I developed and taught the Forensic & Investigative Accounting Certificate program at Cal State Fullerton based on this text. The text is invaluable to every CPA wanting to pursue the Certified Forensic Accountant (CrFA) designation from the American College of Forensic Examiners. The current edition continues to provide the best foundation available for a rewarding career as a forensic accountant.

Some very good and interesting information, but this is a rather undistinguished textbook with many grammatical errors and typos. Written in a very casual manner, it is also very incomplete and occasionally sexist. Chapters are often unnecessarily very long. No boldface terminology and the table of contents is quite bad. Pages are numbered by paragraph (example: Chapter 10, page 28 has '10-28' at the top corner of the page, and on the bottom it has "P10,211" where P is the 'paragraph' symbol). Basically, it's a lot of information taken from other sources and kind of loosely pieced together. There are not many textbooks out there about forensic accounting, so I can't compare this one to any others. I'll have to look into that. But I am not enthusiastic about this textbook. Having studied a lot of 'pure accounting' courses, I was expecting this book to be a bit more computational. Instead, it's like a thicker version of the text used for my Accounting Ethics course, and the material covered is broader.

I used this textbook for a course in graduate school. I was glad to have the most recent version of the book, and I think it covers pretty much everything related to forensic accounting, which is a developing and changing field. I was frustrated with this book many times because of the many missprints--errors in the index, and operators missing from mathematical formulas, especially.

This book was mandatory for my UCLA Forensic Accounting course. was the only place who was not sold out. It is a pricey book...however, I thought this book was very well laid out. It was concise and Crumbley has gone above and beyond to drive the details of the Forensic Accounting field. This

book and the course has made me decide to get my CFE Certification before going after my CPA

the book was good with no markings at all, received in excellent condition. reliable renter. the content of the good was good and understandable but our professor uses practicals to teach the class so we didnt really use it except for chapter 17. Font is big and readable.

I own this edition and the previous edition of Forensic and Investigative Accounting and while the text serves as a reasonable introduction to fundamental discovery, the reader should not expect to cover the 'meat and potatoes' of 'forensic' accounting. Accounting for matters of the law typically involves either the discovery of blatant violations of GAAP or legislative/administrative rules (civil and criminal prosecutions with the government as the plaintiff), or complex valuations involving assets or losses associated with assets or transactions (damages) that are typically the focus of civil prosecutions undertaken by private parties (such as divorcing spouses). I have done both (US Treasury) and now in private practice I am primarily engaged in valuation. This book will serve as a great primer for an undergraduate in accounting (it provides a basic foundation and sources of information) but it will not provide you with the information that leads to the more rigorous exercises in valuation (i.e. heuristic valuation of complex assets). If you are already certified, stick to trade publications and CPE. If you are just getting familiar, this edition will help you navigate through basic concepts that you will revisit in auditing, accounting, and risk management.

There is no table of content so you have to page through each page to get the chapter you want. Diagrams are not there. It will say fig. # the chart or drawing will not be there just the text and it is not lined up in any way that you can make sense out of it. I am very disappointed in this digital edition. It cost the same as the hardcover book and it is not very well formatted.

This text is mandatory for a course I am currently enrolled in. While it may be well written and puts the topic in comfortable layman's terms, I cannot believe that I paid almost \$200 for a text that when downloaded lost all graphics and formatting. How do I get this addressed? I may have to return the book, because a key component of learning is to visualize concepts in the form of graphs, charts etc. For that reason alone, I have to assign a low grade to the book.

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