Assistant Medical Examiner
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Milwaukee County Medical Examiner’s Office serves a mixed urban and suburban jurisdiction and performs autopsies for coroners in southeastern Wisconsin. Milwaukee County has a population of approximately one million people and comprises a geographic area of over 200 square miles. In 2021, the office investigated over 9,000 deaths and assumed jurisdiction in 3,500 cases. Our in-house toxicology laboratory provides state of the art service. Currently Milwaukee County is planning a new Forensic Science Center to upgrade our facilities in the close future.

STAFFING: Currently, the office is in the process of hiring forensic pathologists as well as locum tenens pathologists who will help with our autopsy service. Candidates will join four board certified forensic pathologists. Staff pathologists perform approximately 300 autopsies per year. The goal is to decrease the number of autopsies per pathologist. The office is accredited by the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME). The Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program is sponsored by the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner’s Office and the Medical College of Wisconsin. The fellowship program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).

REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must possess a M.D. or D.O. degree and have completed a residency in pathology and a forensic pathology fellowship. Candidates are required to obtain certification by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology within two years of hire.

DUTIES: Under the direction of the medical examiner, the assistant medical examiner will perform autopsies to determine the cause and manner of death, complete death certificates, provide scheduled on-call duties, provide courtroom testimony, supervise the forensic pathology fellow, and teach medical students and pathology residents.

SALARY AND BENIFITS: Salary range is $240,000 to $280,000. The assistant medical examiner salary includes full fringe benefits with retirement package, dental, health, and vision insurance, vacation, and holiday leave. An academic appointment is available through the Department of Pathology at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

MILWAUKEE: Known as the “Cream City” for the color of the bricks that make up many of its historic buildings, has a population of approximately 570,000 (with nearly 1.5 million in the greater metro area), making it the 5th largest city in the Midwest. It was recently named by National Geographic as one of the 25 best places in the world to visit in 2023. Located on the western shore of Lake Michigan, it is a city that is small enough to be affordable and easy to navigate but large enough to offer a wide range of activities for all ages and seasons, including:

- Music and performing arts (Summerfest, a multi-weekend outdoor summer music festival; ethnic festivals throughout the summer; numerous concert venues ranging from small clubs to the Fiserv Forum; Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra; Milwaukee Ballet Company; and many smaller theaters);
• Milwaukee County Zoo, Wisconsin State Fair, and numerous museums (Milwaukee Art Museum with its Calatrava "wings" Addition; Discovery World Science and Technology Museum; Milwaukee Public Museum; Betty Brinn Children's Museum; and Harley Davidson Museum);
• a thriving restaurant scene with 10 James-Beard recognized chefs, local coffee shops, craft breweries, the Milwaukee Public Market, and summertime "beer gardens" and farmers markets within the county parks;
• professional sports (Bucks men's basketball, Brewers MLB baseball, and Admirals AHL hockey); and
• outdoor recreation (an impressive system of lakefront and county parks; rivers with opportunities for fishing, kayaking, and paddle boarding; public beaches on Lake Michigan; 130 miles of bike trails; and public and private golf courses).

A short drive can take you to numerous inland lakes and state parks for outdoor activities and camping, to the Door County Peninsula or woods of northern Wisconsin for a quiet weekend getaway, to Chicago for a bigger city experience, or to the Mitchell International Airport only a few miles south of the city. Downtown neighborhoods offer many apartment and condo living options with walkable amenities, while the surrounding suburban communities provide excellent school districts with an easy commute into the city and the site of our future office several miles west of downtown. For more information, please contact:

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Application materials can be found on thename.org or Milwaukee County Careers.