



SCOTT FITZPATRICK MISSOURI STATE AUDITOR

Honorable Vivek Malek, State Treasurer
Jefferson City, Missouri

We completed audit work at the Office of State Treasurer (STO) as part of our annual statewide audit of the State of Missouri's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. We issued audit reports (Report Nos. 2023-010 and 2023-022) of the state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, in March and May 2023.¹ The purpose of this letter is to summarize, and communicate to stakeholders, the audit work performed at the STO during the audit and the audit results.

Statewide Financial Statement Audit and Methodology

We conducted the annual financial statement audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The financial statement audit includes, among other things, expressing an opinion on whether the state's financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects. The Office of Administration (OA) prepared the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (financial statements) from various sources including the statewide accounting (SAM II) system and survey data received from state agencies and offices. The state's financial statements covered \$57 billion in total assets and \$34 billion in total expenses for fiscal year 2022. To satisfy our audit objectives, we evaluated and identified the accounts significant to each opinion unit within the state's financial statements and performed various audit procedures, including reviews of internal controls for each of those accounts. For fiscal year 2022, our financial statement audit included work at the OA and 14 other state agencies and offices. To avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest, the State Auditor recused himself from participation in the financial statement audit because he managed various cash and investment balances in his role as State Treasurer as of June 30, 2022. He directed the Audit Director to oversee procedures performed by the State Auditor's professional audit staff.

Financial Statement Audit Work at the STO

For the STO, we audited more than \$12.4 billion in cash and investment balances in various funds. In addition, we audited \$115 million in revenue activity for the Abandoned Fund Account (Unclaimed Property) Fund.

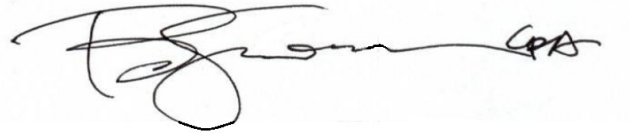
Audit Results and Findings at the STO

Our responsibility for the statewide financial statement audit is limited to the previously stated objectives. The audit reports of the state's financial statements reported no material misstatements for the STO.

We are required by the audit standards to report as audit findings certain significant or material conditions such as weaknesses in internal control; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or

¹ Audit reports are available at: <<https://auditor.mo.gov/AuditReport/Menu>>.

grant agreements; and/or fraud. The reports issued reported no audit findings related to the audit procedures performed at the STO.

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Robert E. Showers, CPA, CGAP
Director of Audits