State Classification Job Description

Retirement System Benefits Specialist III

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs highly complex (senior-level) retirement or benefits program administration and assistance work. Work involves determining benefits eligibility, processing applications for benefits, providing guidance to clients with retirement and benefits program inquiries, and conducting retirement or benefits seminars. Works under limited supervision, with considerable latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Processes service or disability retirement applications and death claims for beneficiaries.

Conducts individual or group retirement or benefits seminars.

Evaluates the authenticity of records and certifications.

Evaluates processes for compliance with procedures, policy, and statutes.

Participates in strategic planning for benefits changes.

Interprets laws, rules, and regulations governing employee retirement or benefits programs.

Reconciles benefit discrepancies, financial data, and bank statements or reports of financial data.

Assists in developing policies and procedures.

May complete, reconcile, and submit purchase vouchers for payment.

May coordinate publication projects and develop formats, graphics, and layouts of benefits communication materials.

Performs related work as assigned.
GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Experience in retirement or benefit program work. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major coursework in business administration, insurance, or a related field is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of mathematics and of retirement or benefits laws, policies, rules, and procedures.

Skill in the use of a computer and office equipment.

Ability to interpret employee benefits and retirement program rules, to maintain accurate records, to recognize and solve problems, to perform mathematical calculations, to reconcile financial data, and to communicate effectively.