## CID INVESTIGATORS ATTEND THE 2010 PACIFIC RIM FRAUD CONFERENCE IN MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

The Conference, a 3-day event hosted by the Association Of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), was attended by well over 100 investigators, auditors and other financial specialists from throughout the Pacific Rim countries on November 14-16, 2010 in Melbourne, Australia. It was a great opportunity for the attendees to learn and share ideas and experiences with a number of authorities in the fraud prevention, investigation and detection field.

One of the most important aspects of the conference is the networking of like-minded professionals from different jurisdictions. The sessions provided the participants an opportunity to update their required Continuing Professional Education hours as required by all dedicated anti-fraud practitioners

As Investigators for ONPA, Michael Nakasone and Kelly Samuel take away valuable lessons from the conference. Not only were they updated on the prevention and detection methodologies, they also received current information on the fraud environment and practices in the Pacific Rim countries. A portion of the Conference was dedicated to advanced interview techniques which immensely benefited the attendees.



Conference Room, Langham Hotel



Scenic view of Melbourne

Here are some of the highlights discussed during the Conference:

- Effective interview technique using the Scientific Content Analysis (SCAN)
- A real world application of fraud risk assessment case study using the ACFE model.
- How to design a fraud detection system focusing on critical staff behavior.
- Discussion of different business environment in Asia.
- Focus on the growing impact of insurance fraud.
- Implications of US Foreign Corrupt Practices (FCPA) and other anti-fraud laws.