

**24 NCAC 06A .0216      AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND UTILIZE CONTRACT INVESTIGATORS**

(a) The Director may retain qualified contractor investigators, either directly or pursuant to a contract or contracts with a private investigative business or businesses, to assist with activities such as initial suitability, qualification, and Background Investigations of Applicants, Responsible Parties, and Key Persons.

(b) Once retained, each contractor investigator shall be provided with the necessary authority and credentials to serve as an official agent of the Commission in conducting initial suitability, qualification, and Background Investigations of Applicants, Responsible Parties, and Key Persons.

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