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REPORT

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APPLICANT	STATED EMPLOYER	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED	STATED INCOME
Jordan M	**CloudBridge Consulting LLC**	**3 documents (PDF) — stub-may.pdf, stub-june.pdf, employment-letter.pdf**	**$6,500 / month gross**

Coverage: strong

3 documents. Every check we offer was able to run on this submission.

ELEVATED RISK — 7 risk indicators found

This report identified indicators commonly associated with fabricated income documentation. We recommend requesting alternative verification before proceeding.

1. the file itself shows signs of having been built or altered
2. no independent source corroborates this employer

1 WHAT WE RECEIVED

Does everything on the documents agree with itself?

FACT	ON THE STUB	ON THE LETTER	AS TYPED ON THE FORM	AGREE?
Employer name	CloudBridge Consulting LLC	CLOUDBRIDGE CONSULTING, L.L.C.	CloudBridge Consulting LLC	AGREE
Address	4400 Sample Ridge Dr, Austin, TX 78759	4400 Sample Ridge Dr, Austin, TX 78759	—	AGREE
Phone	(512) 555-0142	512.555.0142	—	AGREE
Income	$3,000 biweekly	—	$6,500/mo	AGREE

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1.1 Pay stubs (2)

PASS

Your pay stubs are the core of the check - we read the income, employer and dates off them and run every forensic and math check against them.

2 pay stubs received.

1.2 Employment letter

PASS

An employment letter from your employer is an optional second document. When provided, it corroborates the employer name and your start date against the stubs.

Provided - corroborates the employer and start date against the stubs.

1.3 W-2 / 1099

NOT PROVIDED

A W-2 or 1099 is an optional tax document. When provided, it independently confirms the employer's legal name, federal tax ID (EIN) and annual income.

Not provided - optional; a W-2 or 1099 would confirm the employer's legal name, EIN and annual income.

1.4 PDF metadata analysis

FLAG

Every PDF carries hidden "created with" and edit-history data. We read it to see whether the file looks like an untouched payroll export or something built or altered in an editor such as Photoshop or Word.

The file's Producer metadata reads "Adobe Photoshop 25.0." Pay stubs generated by a payroll system are not produced in an image editor — this is a strong sign the document was created or altered by hand.

1.5 Pay math validation

PASS

We independently re-do the arithmetic on the stub — gross = hours x rate, net = gross - deductions, and year-to-date = pay x number of pay periods — to confirm every figure actually adds up.

The pay adds up on paper — the gross reconciles to the earnings printed on the stub, and the take-home is consistent with it. Adding up proves the figures agree with each other, not that the income is real: correct arithmetic is easy to generate, so read this alongside the real-world employer checks and the cross-document comparisons. We checked:

Gross pay = hours x rate: $3,000.00 vs 120 hrs x $25.00 = $3,000.00

Take-home (net) is consistent with the gross: $2,710.00 take-home on $3,000.00 gross (the deduction lines we read total $612.00, which leaves $2,388.00 — a line may not have been captured; this does not change the gross).

Year-to-date is in a sensible range: $36,000.00 year-to-date, about $3,000.00 × 12 periods

1.6 Tax withholding validation

NO INFO

We check the payroll taxes fit the fixed statutory pattern — Social Security and Medicare must sit in a 4.28-to-1 ratio (6.2% vs 1.45% of the same wage base), and a no-income-tax state should show no state tax. Fabricated stubs frequently get these wrong.

No information provided — the individual tax lines could not be read from the document to validate.

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1.7 Issued document or a preview

NO INFO

Pay-stub generator websites stamp their unpaid previews — “PREVIEW ONLY”, “SAMPLE”, “SPECIMEN” — so they cannot be passed off as real. We read any watermark printed across the page and check it does not say the document is a specimen rather than one an employer actually issued.

No information provided — no watermark or overlay text was found on the document to assess.

1.8 Formatting fingerprint

NO INFO

Compares the stub’s layout, fonts and label placement against the real templates used by major payroll providers (ADP, Gusto, Paychex, etc.). A genuine provider’s stub should match that provider’s standard format.

Not assessed in this report — this advanced template-matching check is not yet part of our automated analysis.

1.9 Employer named across the documents

NEUTRAL

We compare the employer named on the application against the employer printed on every document received, and the documents against each other.

Received - application: "CloudBridge Consulting LLC"; pay stub (stub-may.pdf): "CloudBridge Consulting LLC"; pay stub (stub-june.pdf): "CloudBridge Consulting LLC"; employment letter (employment-letter.pdf): "CLOUDBRIDGE CONSULTING, L.L.C.". Cross-reference - the employer is named consistently across everything received. Everything compared here was supplied by the applicant, so agreement between these documents proves nothing either way about whether the employer is real - the external checks in Section 2 test that.

Employer named the same on every document: pay stub (stub-may.pdf) "CloudBridge Consulting LLC" vs pay stub (stub-june.pdf) "CloudBridge Consulting LLC" vs employment letter (employment-letter.pdf) "CLOUDBRIDGE CONSULTING, L.L.C." - written differently, but the same company (normal formatting variation, not a discrepancy)

Employer matches the application: application "CloudBridge Consulting LLC" vs pay stub (stub-may.pdf) "CloudBridge Consulting LLC"

1.10 Employer contact details across the documents

NEUTRAL

We compare the employer phone and address printed on each document received against the others.

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1.11 Pay schedule across the stubs

NEUTRAL

Across multiple stubs, we check the pay dates are spaced correctly for the stated pay schedule and do not overlap.

Received - pay dates: 2026-05-29, 2026-06-12 (stated biweekly). Cross-reference - the pay dates are spaced correctly for the stated schedule. Everything compared here was supplied by the applicant, so agreement between these documents proves nothing either way about whether the employer is real - the external checks in Section 2 test that.

Pay dates follow the stated schedule: 2026-05-29 -> 2026-06-12 (14 days apart), stated biweekly

1.12 Duplicate submission scan

PASS

We check whether these exact documents have been submitted to us before, which can indicate a recycled or shared template.

These documents have not been previously submitted to ProofSweep.

IN SUMMARY — Some checks on the documents need a look

Where we could compare the documents against each other, they were consistent — but one or more checks above raised a concern (the lines marked REVIEW or FLAG say which). Read those before relying on the documents.

2 WHAT WE LOOKED UP

Does the outside world confirm what the documents claim?

2.1 State business registry

FLAG

We check whether the employer is a real business on file with the state's official business registry.

No entity matching "CloudBridge Consulting LLC" was found in the Texas franchise-tax registry. This can be legitimate — a sole proprietor, a "doing-business-as" name, or a company registered in another state — so verify by hand before drawing a conclusion.

Graded with the other employer checks: 6 independent sources were searched and none corroborated this employer. See the conclusion to this section.

! NEEDS A LOOK — Found in the Texas registry: no match for "CloudBridge Consulting LLC"

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2.2 Employer tax ID (EIN)

NOT FOUND

We read the employer's federal tax ID (EIN) from the stub and check it is a well-formed number. A missing or malformed EIN is a small red flag; a valid one is an extra identifier you can cross-check.

No employer tax ID (EIN) is printed on this pay stub. An EIN is not legally required on a stub, but many genuine payroll systems include it — its absence means there is no independent tax-ID tying these wages to a registered employer. Minor on its own, but more meaningful when the employer cannot be confirmed by other means.

Graded with the other employer checks: 6 independent sources were searched and none corroborated this employer. See the conclusion to this section.

! NEEDS A LOOK — Employer tax ID (EIN) present on the stub: no EIN was printed on the document

2.3 Domain age & registration

FLAG

We look up the age and registration of the employer's website domain. Brand-new domains are a common sign of an invented employer; we also check that the domain plausibly belongs to this company.

The domain “cloudbridge-consulting.example” was registered 18 days ago (2026-05-28) — very recent for an established employer.

Graded with the other employer checks: 6 independent sources were searched and none corroborated this employer. See the conclusion to this section.

2.4 Web footprint

FLAG

We search the open web for signs the employer is a real, operating business — a website, listings, reviews and mentions consistent with the company on the stub.

No Google business listing was found for “CloudBridge Consulting LLC” in TX. This is common for small, remote, or purely B2B employers and is not itself a concern — confirm the employer another way (state registry, an official website found via search).

Graded with the other employer checks: 6 independent sources were searched and none corroborated this employer. See the conclusion to this section.

! NEEDS A LOOK — Findable as a business on Google: no listing matched “CloudBridge Consulting LLC”

2.5 Phone independence

FLAG

We compare the phone number printed on the stub against the employer's independently-listed public number, to see whether it routes to the real company.

The phone number printed on the stub does not match the number independently listed for a business of this name — worth an independent call to confirm.

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2.6 Address check

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We check whether the address on the stub is a real, verifiable business location rather than a residence, mailbox store or empty lot.

The address printed on the stub was located and is shown below (map and street view). Confirm it is a genuine commercial premises for the employer — not a residence, a co-working space, or a mailbox service, each of which is common with invented employers. (Sample report: the imagery below is illustrative — this is a fictional case and the address does not exist.)

Graded with the other employer checks: 6 independent sources were searched and none corroborated this employer. See the conclusion to this section.

2.7 Work location

NO INFO

We compare the state of the employer address on the documents against the employer state given on the application. When they differ, we point out that the documents do not show where the applicant actually works — remotely, or at a local site that was not provided.

No information provided — we did not have both an employer address and a stated employer state to compare.

IN SUMMARY — Nothing independent corroborates this employer

We searched 6 independent sources for this employer — the state business registry, the employer tax ID, the website domain, the web footprint, the phone number and the address — and not one of them corroborates it. Each of these has an innocent explanation on its own, and the notes above give them: a sole proprietor need not be registered, a small firm need not have a website or a listing, and a business nobody can find will naturally have no independently published phone number. What the combination establishes is narrower and firmer: nothing outside the applicant's own paperwork supports the existence of this employer. That is not proof the business is not real — but this income has no independent corroboration of any kind.

3 EMPLOYMENT

How long has the applicant worked for this employer?

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3.1 Time at this employer

PASS

How long the applicant reports working for this employer, from the start date they provided. A recent start is noted as a short history — completely normal for a new job — and is never treated as a problem with the documents.

The start date provided is March 2024 - about 2 years and 3 months at this employer, consistent with a settled work history.

What our labels mean

Confirmed	We checked an independent source and it backs up the document.
Mismatch	We checked, and found something that contradicts it.
Not found	We searched and it was not there. This is often innocent — a sole trader need not be registered, and a small firm need not have a website. It does mean nothing independent corroborates this.
Not checked	We could not look. This is a gap in our checking, not a finding about anyone.
Pass	We checked this and it came back clean.
Flag	A risk indicator — something here needs your attention before you rely on the document.
Review	We found something we could not settle on our own. The marked line says what it is.
No info	Nothing was provided for us to check here.
Neutral	The check ran but proves nothing either way — it is neither reassurance nor a concern.
Manual	This one is done by hand and had not been completed when the report was produced.
Error	A lookup failed on our side, so this could not be checked.

RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS

1. Before proceeding, request alternative income verification: a read-only bank-linked income check, or a prior-year W-2 plus the two most recent months of bank statements showing matching payroll deposits.
2. This report does not confirm that the applicant is actually employed by the stated employer — even where the employer and the documents check out, the employment itself is a separate fact we cannot verify. To confirm it, contact the employer using a phone number or email found independently (the state registry or the official website via search), never the ones printed on the pay stub.
3. Apply the same verification steps you use for this applicant to every applicant, and document your process. Consistency supports fair-housing compliance.

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