

Special Matters and Government Investigations

Our Special Matters team is dedicated to advising entities and individuals across sectors who are facing the reality or threat of a government investigation. Clients turn to us because of our reputation for conducting thorough and reliable internal investigations, for using the investigative record effectively to persuade the government to appropriately decline prosecution or enforcement action against our clients where possible, and for discreetly resolving government investigations on favorable terms. When quick and discreet resolution is not possible, we are prepared to defend our clients in court – where we have a successful track record advocating and litigating against the government and other authorities on behalf of our clients.

Most importantly, clients value our transparency, candor, and ability to build relationships in order to protect and advance our clients' interests. We can successfully and seamlessly navigate the complexities of dealing with U.S. and foreign enforcement agencies. A key component of our success in this regard is leveraging the experience of more than 40 former federal prosecutors and other government enforcement officials who work on our team, as well as team members who have devoted their entire careers to white-collar criminal and civil defense in high-stakes matters with industry-wide impact.

Collectively, we have handled investigations before 73 of the 93 U.S. Attorney's Offices and every litigating division of the Justice Department. We likewise have represented clients in investigations conducted by all 12 of the SEC's offices and all of the SEC's specialized enforcement units. We have conducted cross-border investigations on every continent, and thus have extensive experience before foreign regulatory

Capability Lawyers



Alan R. Dial Washington, D.C.



Zachary Fardon Chicago



Andrew C. Hruska (Drew) New York



Dixie L. Johnson Washington, D.C.



Brandt Leibe Houston



Aaron Stephens London

Recognition

One of seven law firms nationwide shortlisted for Government Investigations Firm of the Year

LMG LIFE SCIENCES (2022)

Ranked in Chambers Global for Corporate Crime & Investigations since 2016 to present authorities.

The breadth of this experience includes Anti-Corruption (including the FCPA), Securities Enforcement, the False Claims Act, Environmental Investigations, Internal Investigations, Economic Sanctions, Tax Investigations, Anti-Money Laundering and Congressional Investigations. It notably crosses a wide range of sectors including Life Sciences and Healthcare, Financial Services, Energy, Technology, Food & Beverage, Higher Education, Manufacturing, Professional Services, Construction and Real Estate.

Cases & Deals

February 28, 2024

King & Spalding Secures a Dismissal of False Claims Act Complaint against Senseonics Incorporated

January 25, 2024

Leprino Foods Company's \$2 Billion Trial Win is Upheld by Colorado Appellate Panel

December 23, 2022

K&S Advises Daniel Anderl Judicial Protection Project

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Insights

CLIENT ALERT

May 23, 2024

Request for Comments on FinCEN and SEC rule on CIP

ARTICLE

May 8, 2024

Department of Homeland Security Proposes Rule for Reporting of Cyber Incidents

CLIENT ALERT

May 7, 2024

New Ten-Year Statute of Limitations for Sanctions Violations

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

May 23, 2024

Andrew Michaelson presents on SEC practice developments panel at the Securities Enforcement Forum West

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

May 22, 2024

Aaron Lipson to Speak at Practising Law Institute

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Two former Deputy Attorneys General

"The premier firm in this practice area."

U.S. NEWS & WORLD
REPORT/BEST LAWYERS

Ten former members of DOJ leadership

Ranked in Legal 500 for Corporate Investigations and White-Collar Criminal Defense since 2015 to present.

Eight former U.S. Attorneys

"Very strategic... collaborative and politically-savvy."

CHAMBERS USA

26 former Assistant U.S. Attorneys

"Excellent credibility before the agencies across a broad swathe of white-collar matters."

LEGAL 500

46 DOJ alumni

Ranked in Chambers USA for Securities: Regulation (Nationwide) since 2017

Three FINRA alumni

"Ideally placed to take on high-stakes criminal cases and parallel civil litigation." May 17, 2024

Craig Carpenito, Adam Baker and Kristen Fournier Speak at the New Jersey State Bar Association Annual Meeting and Convention

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News

PRESS RELEASE

May 30, 2024

Leading Commercial Trial Lawyer Chris Duffy Joins King & Spalding in New York

RECOGNITION

May 16, 2024

Rod Rosenstein Inducted Into American College of Tax Counsel

IN THE NEWS

May 4, 2024

Craig Carpenito, Leigh Nathanson, Roger Schwartz and Brian Donovan advise Leadenhall Capital Partners before a New York federal court in a fraud dispute with 777 Partners

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LEGAL 500

13 American College of Trial Lawyers

"Clients are kept out of the public eye" by a team "packed with former federal prosecutors."

GIR

One former state Attorney General

Five other former state prosecutors

11 SEC alumni including the Former General Counsel and Director of Enforcement