

PRACTICE AREA

White Collar Criminal Defense



EXPERIENCE

Accounting fraud
Antitrust violations
Asset forfeiture
Bank fraud
Bribery
Congressional investigations
Construction-related fraud
Contempt
Criminal appeals
Currency reporting violations
Cybercrime
Debarment
Environmental violations
Export control and other customs violations
Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
Health care fraud
Insider trading
Labor union violations
Mail and wire fraud
Market manipulation
Money laundering
Obscenity
Obstruction of justice
Public corruption
Restitution proceedings
RICO violations
Tax violations

LSW has earned national recognition as a leading litigation boutique, top-ranked by *Chambers USA 2020* as a Band I white collar firm that "demonstrates notable strengths in cross-border matters that involve multiple regulatory bodies." Known for our "unassailable collective of white collar titans" (*Benchmark Litigation*), we have achieved outstanding results for hundreds of individuals and entities around the globe.

The firm provides focused and strategic representation to protect our clients' rights, privacy, and interests. We defend clients in investigations and prosecutions brought by federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities throughout the United States, and we routinely advise about the potential U.S. effects on our clients of investigations and prosecutions in foreign jurisdictions.

Our representation of individuals includes CEOs, CFOs, and other high-ranking executives from virtually every industry. Our colleagues in the field note that our lawyers are "very reliable and skilled litigators and are extremely good at representing executives" (*Chambers USA*). We represent and counsel corporations and corporate boards in connection with criminal and regulatory matters, which often involve internal investigations; making presentations and referrals to law enforcement authorities; and responding to law enforcement inquiries and grand jury subpoenas.

In addition, LSW has handled a wide range of complex, cross-border proceedings. We have successfully represented numerous executives, financial professionals, and other individuals based in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and the Americas in connection with investigations by U.S. authorities, frequently requiring close coordination with co-counsel in international jurisdictions.

The firm's exceptional track record rests on an early mastery of the facts, strategic counseling, and vigorous advocacy. Because we have represented clients on both sides of the table—witnesses and targets of criminal investigations as well as victims—we bring a 360-degree perspective to each matter in which we are involved.

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Much of our work in white collar cases is geared toward pre-indictment advocacy: helping our clients avoid criminal or regulatory charges altogether. We vigilantly protect our clients' privacy interests in non-public matters. While we seek to avoid costly litigation, our advocates are prepared to vigorously defend clients at trial. We have also achieved numerous acquittals in high-profile matters adverse to the U.S. government, as well as victories on appeal.

Six of our ten partners are former federal prosecutors, every associate a former judicial law clerk, and we have collectively tried more than 100 criminal cases. LSW lawyers are widely known as thought leaders in the white collar practitioner community, regularly contributing lectures, publications, CLE programs, and seminal treatises.