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# Lessons Learned: A Government Litigation Case Study

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Allegations of a sprawling poultry price-fixing scheme affecting millions of Americans. An “unheard-of” three trials. Two mistrials. The Assistant Attorney General for the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Antitrust Division personally explaining to the judge why a third trial would be necessary. And finally, one acquittal.

The above elements of *U.S. v. Penn, et. al.* — a DOJ criminal price-fixing case against 10 poultry executives — form the central discussion around this special White Collar + Government Investigations podcast. To help dissect the case, Troutman Pepper Partners [Megan Rahman](#) (one of the case’s defense attorneys) and [Charlie Peeler](#) (former U.S. attorney for the Middle District of Georgia) offer perspectives gained from representing defendants and prosecuting cases against the U.S. government. Megan and Charlie also discuss what this case and other recent matters say about current trends in government litigation and what to expect from the DOJ in the near future.

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