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Multistate AG Updates

STATE AGS AND THE FTC WARN OF 23ANDME RISKS FOLLOWING BANKRUPTCY ANNOUNCEMENT

By [Troutman Pepper Locke State Attorneys General Team](#) and [Gene Fishel](#)

Several state attorneys general (AGs) and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) have begun scrutinizing ancestry tracking company 23andMe following its recent announcement that it has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. As part of these efforts, the AGs have issued alerts on ways consumers can exercise their rights under state privacy laws, and the FTC has issued letters stressing potential risks to U.S. bankruptcy trustees. 23andMe, which was founded in 2006, has collected DNA and associated genetic material on seven million American customers to provide information related to those customers' ancestry.

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Single State AG Updates

MASS. AG EMERGES AS KEY PLAYER IN CONSUMER PROTECTION

By [Ashley L. Taylor, Jr.](#), [Warren F. "Jay" Myers](#), and [Sydney Goldberg](#)

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[Massachusetts Attorney General](#) Andrea Campbell has emerged as a significant figure in the landscape of

consumer protection and corporate accountability. Her actions and initiatives have positioned her as a thought leader among state attorneys general, particularly in the context of national efforts to safeguard consumer rights.

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LONE STAR CRACKDOWN: AMID A PATCHWORK OF STATE REGULATIONS, TEXAS MOVES TO BAN LOTTERY COURIER SERVICES

By [Stephen C. Piegrass](#), [Cole White](#), and [Natalia Jacobo](#)

In a significant regulatory shift, the Texas Lottery Commission has enacted an immediate ban on lottery ticket courier services in the state, effective February 24. This decisive move marks a stark departure from the commission's previous position that it lacked jurisdiction over these couriers. State officials in Texas backing the change assert that groups who buy mass quantities of lottery tickets using unregulated lottery couriers avoid safeguards in the regulatory system and undermine public trust in the lottery system.

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CRYPTO INVESTMENT FIRM AGREES TO PAY NEW YORK AG \$200M TO RESOLVE MARKET MANIPULATION ALLEGATIONS REGARDING SALE OF FAILED TOKEN

By [Troutman Pepper Locke State Attorneys General Team](#) and [Lane Page](#)

On March 24, cryptocurrency investment firm Galaxy Digital Holdings (Galaxy) entered into an assurance of discontinuance (AOD) with New York Attorney General (AG) Letitia James to resolve allegations that Galaxy engaged in misrepresentations when it promoted the failed algorithmic cryptocurrency Luna from 2020 to 2022.

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MASSACHUSETTS AG INDICTS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND OWNERS FOR SUBMISSION OF ALLEGEDLY FALSE MEDICAID CLAIMS

By [Troutman Pepper Locke State Attorneys General Team](#), [Michael Lafleur](#), and [Daniel Waltz](#)

The Office of Massachusetts Attorney General (AG) Andrea Campbell announced the criminal indictment of several Massachusetts-based health care providers and their owners in connection with allegedly false claims they submitted to the Massachusetts Medicaid program, MassHealth. In what Campbell characterized as a fraud and kickback arrangement, the defendants submitted more than \$7.8 million in false claims for reimbursement associated with urine drug tests and home health services that were not provided, not medically necessary, or not properly authorized.

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FLORIDA AG SETTLES ALLEGED MOVING BROKERAGE SCHEME, BANNING DEFENDANTS AND SECURING \$4M IN JUDGMENTS

On March 21, Florida Attorney General (AG) James Uthmeier's Consumer Protection Division announced the resolution of ongoing litigation against a network of moving brokerage companies accused of misleading consumers. These companies, including Gold Standard Moving and Storage, allegedly misrepresented their services by claiming to offer professional, door-to-door moving services when they were operating as brokers, quoting low prices to secure large up-front deposits and then outsourcing the moving tasks to unvetted third-party carriers. According to the AG's office, this practice frequently led to consumers allegedly facing additional and unexpected costs.

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AG of the Week

ROB BONTA, CALIFORNIA

On April 23, 2021, Rob Bonta was sworn in as the 34th attorney general (AG) of the state of California, the first person of Filipino descent and the second Asian-American to occupy the position.

Bonta's parents instilled in him the lessons they learned from the United Farm Workers and the civil rights movement, inspiring his decision to become an attorney. He worked his way through college and graduated with honors from Yale University and attended Yale Law School.

As the people's attorney, he sees seeking accountability from those who abuse their power and harm others as one of the most important functions of the job. In elected office, he has taken on powerful interests and advanced systemic change — pursuing corporate accountability, standing up for workers, punishing big polluters, and fighting racial injustice. He has been a leader in the fight to transform the criminal justice system, banning private prisons and detention facilities in California, as well as pushing to eliminate cash bail in the state. He has led statewide fights for racial, economic, and environmental justice and worked to further the rights of immigrant families, renters, and working Californians.

Prior to serving in the Assembly, Bonta worked as a deputy city attorney for the City and County of San Francisco, where he represented the city and county and its employees, and fought to protect Californians from exploitation and racial profiling.

California AG in the News:

- On April 7, Bonta [announced](#) a multistate settlement with pharmaceutical company Mylan Inc. for its role in the opioid crisis.
- On April 4, Bonta [announced](#) a settlement with HomeOptions, a realty company based in Oakland, that engaged in a predatory real estate scheme.
- On April 4, Bonta [reaffirmed](#) California's continued commitment to fight to protect grants that support K-12 teacher preparation pipeline.

Upcoming AG Events

- April: RAGA | Energy Summit | Houston, TX
- April: AGA | International Delegation | Rome, Italy
- May: RAGA | ERC Retreat | Oahu, HI

For more on upcoming AG Events, [click here](#).

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