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State attorneys general increasingly impact businesses in all industries. Our nationally recognized [state AG team](#) has been trusted by clients for more than 20 years to navigate their most complicated state AG investigations and enforcement actions.

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Troutman Pepper Locke Spotlight

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION'S STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW SECTION WEBINAR SERIES: STATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AND LITIGATION: THE UNWRITTEN RULES

By [Ashley L. Taylor, Jr.](#)

Join Troutman Pepper Locke attorney Ashley Taylor, the co-leader of the firm's State Attorneys General team, as he participates in part two of the American Bar Association's State and Local Government Law Section webinar series titled "State Attorneys General Enforcement Actions and Litigation: The Unwritten Rules." This session will focus on the "Multistate Investigations and Settlements" chapter from the recently published book, *Consumer Protection: Understanding Enforcement Actions Brought by State Attorneys General*. The webinar aims to delve into the complexities and nuances of enforcement actions initiated by consumer protection staff within state attorneys general offices.

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State AG News

NEW YORK AG INTENSIFIES INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT AGAINST ALLEGED MEDICAID FRAUD

By [Troutman Pepper Locke State Attorneys General Team](#) and [Philip Nickerson](#)

On June 30, 2025, New York Attorney General (AG) Letitia James [announced](#) new lawsuits, criminal charges, and

settlements with 25 New York transportation companies related to alleged schemes to defraud Medicaid of millions.

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NEWLY APPOINTED WYOMING AG, KEITH KAUTZ

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

Keith Kautz will serve as the new attorney general (AG) of the state of Wyoming following his appointment by Governor Mark Gordon last week, effective July 7, 2025. Kautz has a long history of civil service in the state, having served as a district court judge for the Eighth Judicial District — covering Converse, Goshen, Niobrara, and Platte counties — for 22 years. His hometown of Torrington falls within this district. In 2015, Governor Matt Mead appointed Kautz as a justice to the Wyoming Supreme Court, where he served until his retirement in March 2024.

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AG of the Week

Brian Schwalb, District of Columbia

Brian L. Schwalb is the District of Columbia's second independently elected attorney general (AG). He is a third-generation resident of Washington, D.C. Schwalb completed his undergraduate studies at Duke University and earned his law degree from Harvard Law School. Following his education, he undertook a two-year judicial clerkship and subsequently worked as a trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice. After his tenure at the Justice Department, Schwalb transitioned to private practice, where he represented a diverse range of clients, including individuals, businesses, nonprofits, and families, in various high-stakes legal matters. His work included advocating for individuals affected by excessive police force, those defrauded of their assets, and individuals on death row.

Prior to his election as AG, Schwalb held leadership roles in the legal field, serving as Venable's firmwide vice chairman and as the partner-in-charge of Venable's Washington, D.C. office. He is recognized professionally as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

District of Columbia AG in the News:

- On July 15, Schwalb [announced a settlement](#) with pharmaceutical company Gilead Sciences, Inc., resolving allegations related to illegal kickbacks.
- On July 8, Schwalb [announced two settlements](#) with related cleaning companies to resolve allegations related to unpaid overtime wages.
- On June 24, Schwalb announced [three lawsuits against Maryland drivers](#), and one against a Virginia driver, alleging the four individuals had amassed more than 1,000 traffic infractions among them.

Upcoming AG Events

- July: DAGA | Presidential Partners Retreat | Santa Fe, NM
- August: AGA | Chair's Initiative | Alaska
- September: RAGA | Fall National Meeting | Miami, FL

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