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Kristin represents clients in high stakes, sensitive matters. She is able to pinpoint and address complex issues in civil and white collar criminal matters, investigations, and insurance bad faith and fraud actions.

OVERVIEW

Kristin represents clients in civil and white collar criminal matters arising out of allegations of fraud, false statements, and bad faith. Kristin advises businesses and individuals facing investigation by federal and state law enforcement authorities and government agencies. Her work frequently involves the intersection of criminal investigations and civil litigation. Kristin has significant courtroom experience, and has tried cases in state and federal courts and arbitrated matters in AAA and other forums.

Kristin is experienced in investigating claims of misconduct and abuse, in particular hotline and whistleblower complaints. She has investigated sensitive allegations of verbal, emotional and physical abuse, bullying, hazing, discrimination, harassment, and sexual misconduct for a wide variety of organizations, including colleges, universities, schools, and sports organizations. Kristin also is experienced in investigating complex business and financial crimes, including allegations of embezzlement, bid rigging, and fraudulent contract procurement.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Government and Internal Investigations

- Investigates high-profile issues of sexual misconduct, Title IX compliance, discrimination, verbal and emotional abuse, hazing, and bullying for colleges and universities.
- Represents government contractors who are recipients of False Claims Act CIDs, grand jury subpoenas, and information demands from the Department of Justice and other government agencies, relating to allegations of complex business and financial crimes.
- Investigated whistleblower complaints of fraud and misconduct within sales organizations of a wide variety of companies, including pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers and automotive suppliers.
- Investigated allegations of physician and staff misconduct, including billing irregularities, at behavioral health service providers and nursing homes.

Criminal and False Claims Act Matters and Related Counseling

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- Routinely represents companies and individuals facing government investigations, criminal charges, and allegations of False Claims Act violations.
- Represents Department of Defense contractors in parallel False Claims Act and criminal investigations of procurement fraud.
- Defended the owner of a manufacturing company at trial in a federal criminal case based on allegations of disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) fraud.
- Represents clients on DBE enforcement issues, including counseling major national suppliers in the construction industry on avoiding pass-through situations and complying with program requirements at the federal, state, and local levels.
- Obtained a complete dismissal with prejudice of a False Claims Act case against a leading national general contractor that was premised on allegations of disadvantaged business enterprise fraud.
- Defended a government contractor in a False Claims Act case premised on allegations of self-dealing by project managers and provision of non-conforming product.
- Represented individuals in investigations and cases involving a variety of federal criminal charges, including tax fraud, insider trading, criminal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) violations and bid rigging.
- Defends companies and individuals accused of crimes and represents companies and individuals who are victims of crimes, including victims of Ponzi schemes, embezzlements, and other frauds, assisting with referrals to federal and state law enforcement.

Insurance Bad Faith and Fraud

- Represents leading national insurers in bad faith actions challenging their claims handling practices.
- Counsels insurers on good faith claims handling practices and advises on complex coverage issues.
- Defends companies against government allegations of insurance fraud under unique state laws that mimic the False Claims Act.
- Defended an international medical device manufacturer accused of violating the California Insurance Fraud Prevention Act.
- Defended a provider of athletic training services accused of violating the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Corporate Compliance Law (2027)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Criminal Defense: White-Collar (2024-2027)
- *The Legal 500 US City Elite*, White Collar Crime, Philadelphia (2026)
- *Chambers USA*: Litigation: White Collar Crime & Government Investigations, Pennsylvania (2021-2026)
- *Legal 500 United States*: Antitrust: Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Defense (2025)
- *Super Lawyers*®: Pennsylvania (2015-2024)
- Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer (2018-2022) – independently rated lawyers

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Fraud + Abuse Litigation + Investigations
- White Collar Litigation + Investigations

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Bad Faith
- Business Litigation
- Educational Institutions
- First Amendment + Newsroom
- Fraud + Abuse Litigation + Investigations
- Insurance + Reinsurance
- Litigation + Trial
- White Collar Litigation + Investigations

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Executive Committee member, Criminal Law Committee, Philadelphia Chapter, Federal Bar Association

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2000, note and comment editor, *Wisconsin Law Review;* member, Order of the Coif
- Cornell University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1997, biology

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "From Locker Room to Sportsbook: Lessons for Colleges From the Smith Point Shaving Indictment," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, January 21, 2026.
- Co-author, "Pitching Scandal Presents Challenges for Prosecution, Defense," *Bloomberg Law*, December 22, 2025.
- Podcast, "From Concerts to Crisis: Navigating Workplace Scandals," *Hiring to Firing* Podcast, October 7, 2025.
- Co-author, "Will DBE Fraud Continue to Be Prosecuted? The Impact of the *Kousisis* Decision in the Shifting Affirmative Action Landscape," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, June 6, 2025.
- Co-author, "OCR's Directive on Race-Conscious Policies in Higher Education," *Troutman Pepper Locke*,

February 24, 2025.

- Co-author, "Fourth Circuit: Institution's Tax-Exempt Status Does Not Trigger the Applicability of Title IX's Requirements," *Troutman Pepper*, April 11, 2024.
- Co-author, "Suppliers Beware: U.S. Government Continues Prosecution of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Fraud Cases Involving Supplies Passed Through Disadvantaged Business Enterprises," *Pratt's Government Contracting Law Report*, August 2023.
- Co-author, "Suppliers Beware: US Government Continues Prosecution of DBE Fraud Cases Involving Supplies Passed Through DBEs," *Troutman Pepper*, April 26, 2023.
- Co-author, "How NJ Bad Faith Auto Insurance Bill Compares to Pa.'s," *Law360's Insurance Authority*, January 21, 2022.
- Co-author, "Effective Immediately: New Jersey Enacts an Insurance Bad Faith Statute for Auto Insurers," *Troutman Pepper*, January 18, 2022.