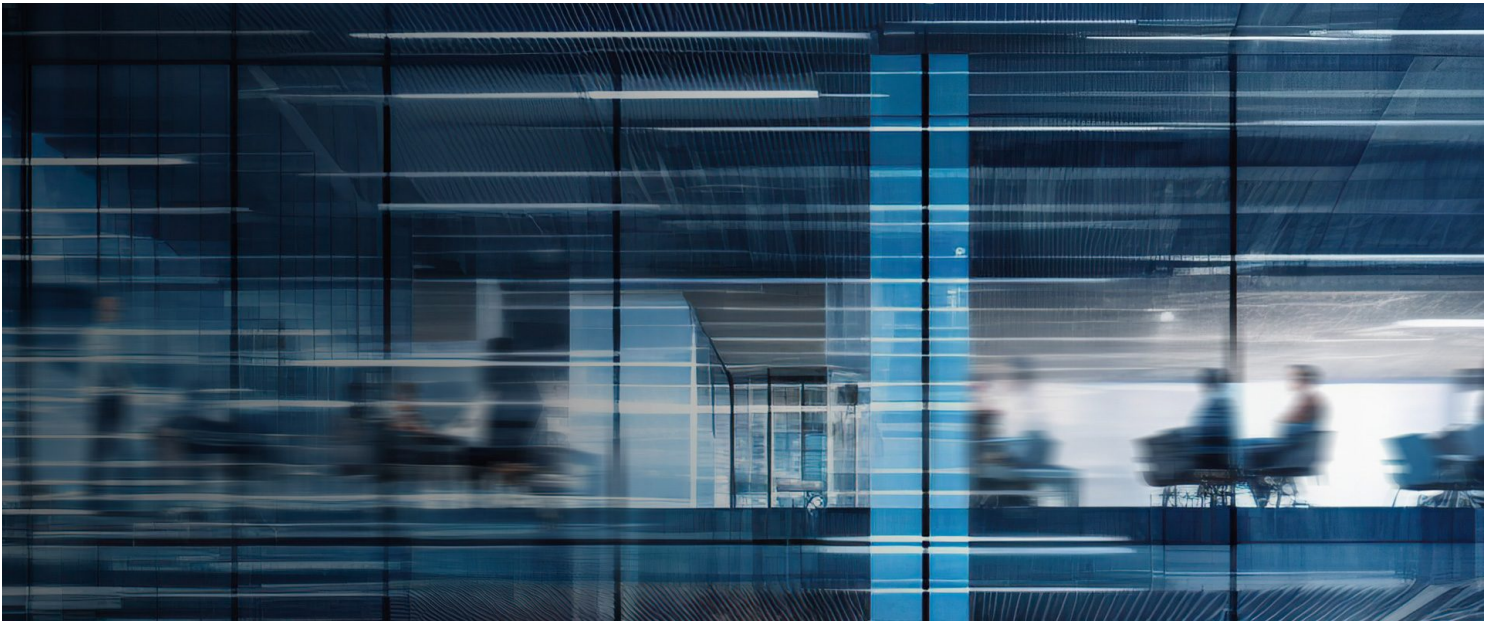


Investigations, White Collar and Criminal Defense



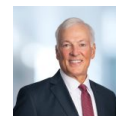
At Saxton & Stump, our Investigations, White Collar and Criminal Defense Group conducts internal investigations and provides representation for a variety of clients, including businesses, nonprofits, healthcare systems, educational institutions, financial services firms, and municipal entities, as well as executives, professionals, and other individuals. We assist those facing significant government inquiries, regulatory enforcement actions, and criminal prosecutions. Our team, which includes former federal judges and prosecutors, highly experienced defense attorneys, and regulatory professionals, brings deep insight and practical experience to guide clients through every stage of these sensitive and important matters.

Whether responding to a subpoena, managing a parallel internal investigation, advising on interviews and testimony, or defending against criminal or civil charges, we provide a multidisciplinary, strategic approach tailored to each client's needs.

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Team

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Leadership and Perspective from All Sides of the Law

The group is led by co-chairs **Mark E. Cedrone**, a nationally respected white collar and criminal defense attorney; **Hon. Christopher C. Conner (Ret.)**, former Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania; and **Timothy M. Stengel**, a former Assistant United States Attorney who led major federal investigations and prosecutions during his tenure at the U.S. Department of Justice.

Our broader team includes highly experienced professionals such as:

- **Hon. Lawrence F. Stengel (Ret.)**, served as Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania following 14 years on the Lancaster County Court of Common Pleas, and later acted as special investigator in the National Football League Concussion Settlement Program.
- **Hon. Robert A. Graci (Ret.)**, former Pennsylvania Superior Court judge and Chief Counsel to the Pennsylvania Judicial Conduct Board, now senior counsel with deep expertise in judicial ethics, appellate advocacy, and disciplinary investigations.
- **Harlan W. Glasser**, shareholder and former Assistant United States Attorney for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, who has firsthand led government investigations and prosecuted enforcement proceedings against individuals and corporations within the False Claims Act and Controlled Substances Act.
- **Cody J. Groeber**, shareholder and former federal public defender, who has successfully defended government litigation in high-stakes matters involving allegations of white collar fraud, false records, tax fraud, robbery, and murder.
- **William C. Costopoulos**, senior counsel and veteran criminal defense attorney, who is recognized throughout the East Coast for his extensive litigation and trial experience in high-profile white collar and public corruption cases.
- **Aubrey C. Emrich**, senior counsel who has handled federal and state criminal cases involving Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) conspiracies, wire and mail fraud, bank fraud, tax fraud, and more.

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- **Tonya Sulia**, senior counsel and former deputy criminal chief, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Pennsylvania, who oversaw prosecutions involving white collar and violent crime, child exploitation, and significant drug trafficking cases.
- **Elizabeth M. Ray**, former Assistant United States Attorney and senior counsel with deep experience in healthcare investigations, money laundering, and criminal forfeiture matters.
- **Isabelle S. Young**, senior counsel who represents clients facing investigations and charges involving complex tax and fraud matters.

Together, we offer decades of experience and a multidisciplinary approach that includes perspectives and expertise from the bench, federal law enforcement, appellate advocates, and private defense.

Government Investigations

Whether you or your organization is the target of a governmental investigation or called upon as a witness, our team brings the experience and insight needed to respond strategically. We represent clients at every stage of the process — from the first sign of a government inquiry through resolution — including responding to subpoenas, preparing witnesses, managing parallel internal investigations, and mounting a strong defense if violations are asserted or charges are brought.

Our attorneys have served as judges, prosecutors, and defense attorneys, giving us a rare perspective from every side of an investigation. We have successfully resolved matters with federal and state regulatory agencies, negotiated favorable outcomes before charges were filed, and, when necessary, defended clients at high-stakes trials. This breadth of experience allows us to anticipate government strategy, protect our clients' interests, and bring investigations to a close efficiently and discreetly.

Independent Internal Investigations

The entity – any business, nonprofit, governmental, or educational organization – is often the first to identify a potential issue that may give rise to legal liability or draw negative media headlines. . As regulatory expectations and public scrutiny increase, the demand for independent internal investigations continues to grow. Our team supports boards, general counsel, and executive leadership in addressing issues such as fraud, misconduct, harassment, compliance failures, and regulatory risk – often before enforcement or litigation begins, or before the government learns of any potential violations. Handled

correctly, these investigations can limit liability, protect reputations, and position the organization favorably should government scrutiny follow.

We assemble cross-functional teams of attorneys, former law enforcement professionals, compliance advisors, and subject-matter experts to:

- Conduct objective, thorough internal investigations
- Establish a clear and defensible factual record
- Identify and manage legal and reputational risk
- Provide actionable guidance for resolution
- Minimize disruption to your day-to-day operations

Our experience includes investigations in:

- Corporate compliance and ethics
- Employment misconduct and harassment (including Title IX)
- Fraudulent claims or claims abuse in settlement funds including MDLs
- Healthcare fraud and abuse (including Medicare and Medicaid)
- HIPAA violations and audits
- Infectious disease response and remediation
- Medical staff and credentialing investigations
- Data privacy breach response and cybersecurity events
- Government fraud and abuse
- Alleged violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
- Federal Trade Commission investigations
- State Attorney General investigations
- IRS investigations
- Department of Labor investigations
- Department of Education investigations

Criminal and Administrative Defense

When the government takes action – whether through criminal charges or administrative enforcement actions — we apply our experience as defense lawyers, prosecutors, and state and federal judges to defend clients with confidence and discretion. We aggressively represent businesses, nonprofits, professionals, and executives facing criminal or regulatory allegations involving, among others:

- Wire and mail fraud violations
- Tax and securities violations
- Public corruption and bribery
- Healthcare and insurance fraud
- Money laundering and asset forfeiture
- Consumer protection and antitrust
- False Claims Act (FCA) and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA)
- Environmental and licensing board enforcement

We represent clients before key authorities, including the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), as well as before various federal and state courts and regulatory agencies across jurisdictions.

Post-Conviction Representation

The attorneys from our Investigations, White Collar and Criminal Defense Group often step into a case after a conviction to handle the sentencing phase of the case or the appeal. The attorneys in this group have collectively litigated and argued more than 100 appellate matters and are intimately familiar with issues unique to appeals in the criminal context. Whether advising trial counsel while a case is pending or leading an appeal, our team brings clarity, authority, and persuasive strength to each case. The team is renowned for its legal acumen and ability to distill complex trial records into persuasive legal narratives.

With a powerhouse roster that includes two former United States District Court Judges and a retired Pennsylvania Superior Court Judge, our [Appellate Advocacy](#) team brings a rare, inside-out understanding of how appellate decisions are made and how to influence them.