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OVERVIEW

Jeff is one of the few attorneys in the country with the honor of having served as a special agent for the FBI, a line federal prosecutor, a lawyer in private practice with a large law firm, and U.S. Attorney.

With his unique combination of credentials, Jeff has a 360-degree perspective on client challenges that allows him to identify the underlying facts of investigations and litigation in order to efficiently determine the appropriate course of action. He has secured favorable results for clients, both in enforcing client rights and defending against a wide array of civil, regulatory and law-enforcement agencies. Jeff is particularly experienced with False Claims Act matters including qui tam defense, as well as white collar crime defense. He has conducted more than 150 internal investigations involving a wide variety of issues.

Jeff routinely resolves litigation and investigations led by the federal government against clients, including Fortune 100 companies. His goal is to protect clients from indictment or other penalties, and he has a successful track record with a wide variety of federal agencies in cases throughout the country. His recent work also includes:

"Jeff is on top of issues and very adept at providing quality legal services."

— Client Feedback, *Chambers USA*
2023

Services

Government Solutions

White Collar, Internal
Investigations, & Compliance

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- Representation of a medical provider in a DOJ investigation alleging improper pricing; matter resolved with no press attention for a pittance of predicted penalties.
- Representation of a major healthcare company in a multi-year investigation regarding payments made to providers as required; government declined intervention in the multimillion-dollar False Claims Act matter.
- Representation of client in DOJ criminal investigation involving deadly chemical release in the workplace; DOJ and relevant state Attorney General declined intervention.
- Representation of employee of multinational company who provided insider information to hedge fund traders through an expert networking firm; client received probation in the criminal case, and no incremental punishment was handed down by the SEC in the related civil matter.
- Appointment by the U.S. Attorney General to review the FBI's investigation of the National Security Advisor; uncovered significant amounts of exculpatory materials and recommended to Attorney General that case be dismissed.

Jeff began his career as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for PricewaterhouseCoopers, and he calls upon this early experience in matters involving alleged financial malfeasance, as well as in instances where clients are victims of fraud or other financial crimes. Whether in the context of an internal investigation or responding to enforcement actions, Jeff develops plans of action that align with client objectives in response to a wide variety of issues.

Prior to joining the firm, Jeff served as an FBI special agent in St. Louis for 10 years and as a federal prosecutor for another decade, leading prosecutions of notorious securities and corporate fraud cases. In 2017, he was named U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, the District's top-ranking federal law enforcement official, and directed an office with 70 criminal and civil attorneys. Jeff oversaw thousands of federal prosecutions in the District, including those related to white-collar crime, public corruption, terrorism, organized crime, firearms, and narcotics.

Experience

- Oversaw thousands of criminal and civil cases as U.S. Attorney in the Eastern District of Missouri.

Experience

- Appointed by U.S. Attorney General to review the FBI's investigation of the National Security Advisor. Uncovered significant amounts of exculpatory materials, which accumulated to the extent that Jeff eventually recommended to the Attorney General the case be dismissed.
- Represented medical provider in a DOJ investigation alleging improper pricing. Resolved with no press attention for a pittance of predicted penalties.
- Represented major healthcare company in a multi-year investigation regarding payments made to providers as required. Provided extensive evidence of client's efforts to comply with California's labyrinthine regulatory regime and successfully persuaded government to decline intervention in this multimillion-dollar False Claims Act matter.
- Represented agricultural company in DOJ criminal investigation involving deadly chemical release in the workplace. DOJ declined intervention.
- Serves as counsel to online chess server in high profile, high stakes case.
- Prosecuted and oversaw the prosecution of numerous cybersecurity, computer intrusion, and ransomware attacks.
- Represented private and public companies in navigating cybertheft incidents and undisclosed disclosures, including regulatory response.
- Achieved favorable results in U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, for executive at medical device manufacturing company against allegations of \$500 million fraud scheme.
- Defended executive against allegations by the DOJ and the SEC in securities fraud matter related to expert network and hedge fund trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).
- Defended many publicly traded companies against whistleblower allegations investigated by the DOJ, SEC, and other federal regulators.
- Represented “Big Four” accounting firm investigated by the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the SEC in relation to audits of a failed financial institution.

Experience

- Represented global supply manager of multinational computer technology company who provided insider information to hedge fund traders through an expert networking firm (U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York). The client received probation in the criminal case. No incremental punishment was handed down by the SEC in the related civil matter.
- Settled matter with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in the first case enforcing muni advisers' fiduciary duties.
- Successfully defended airline in False Claims Act investigation by the Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Transportation by obtaining a declination from DOJ/Dot and a dismissal of the Relator's complaint in its entirety.
- Obtained declination of DOJ criminal investigation of executive of national financial institution.

Recognition

- *Benchmark Litigation*, Local Litigation Star, 2023, 2024
- *Chambers USA*, Litigation: White Collar Crime & Government Investigations, 2022-2024
- *Missouri Lawyers Media*, POWER List for White Collar Defense, 2022
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Criminal Defense: White Collar, 2018, 2024
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent
- Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents Association, The Founders Award, 2015

Education

- J.D., Saint Louis University School of Law
 - *magna cum laude*
- B.S., Indiana University
 - Accounting
 - *cum laude*

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois
- District of Columbia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

Community Leadership

- Independence Center, Board Member
- Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Board Member



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