

White Collar Defense & Investigations

Irell & Manella LLP's White Collar Defense & Investigations team has the experience and expertise to help business organizations, senior executives, directors, officers, and other individuals navigate criminal, civil and regulatory investigations wherever they arise. Our partners routinely represent clients in a broad array of matters involving government and regulatory investigations and prosecutions, including criminal, civil and regulatory matters. We have successfully defended numerous business organizations, directors, officers and other individuals in all stages of these matters, from compliance counseling through internal investigations, scrutiny by government authorities, and criminal and civil trials and appeals. Our specific expertise includes:

White Collar Criminal Defense: We have represented corporations and individuals in a wide variety of white collar criminal matters, from responses to government subpoenas for documents, deposition and grand jury testimony, to the defense of government prosecution and enforcement actions. Our representations have spanned courts and agencies across the country, at both the state and federal level.

Government Investigations: Irell has extensive experience assisting corporations and their executives in evaluating the underlying factual and legal issues that may lead to government action, developing strategies for responding to government investigations and, if necessary, defending against civil and criminal government prosecutions. We advise clients relating to investigations at all levels domestically, including local, state, federal and military, and all foreign authorities.

Internal Investigations: We have deep background assisting corporations, boards of directors and audit committees in conducting internal investigations in a wide variety of matters. Such investigations have been designed to locate potential fraud, abuse or other wrongdoing, and to counsel companies to develop effective strategies for defending against civil and criminal inquires, as well as prosecutions before they are initiated. In this area, we bring clients the unique perspective of how the facts and newly developed programs will be seen through the eyes of government officials, judges and prosecutors. Clients also benefit from our close collaboration with partners who regularly advise corporate boards on governance issues and related matters such as corporate law, tax, intellectual property and financings.