

HUSCH BLACKWELL

White Collar, Internal Investigations & Compliance

Husch Blackwell's veteran team of investigators and litigators brings together a deep background in criminal and regulatory enforcement with specific, industry-based knowledge to assist clients across the entire spectrum of government compliance, investigations and litigations. We work with clients to develop comprehensive compliance programs and cost-effective approaches to internal investigations in an effort to detect and prevent misconduct before it leads to government intervention; however, once government enforcement agencies are involved, our team pivots and is capable of leading the defense at trial and in settlement negotiations in both the civil and criminal contexts.

Our team comprises a number of ex-government officials who have an intimate knowledge of how key enforcement agencies work at the state and federal levels, including the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, state and federal tax authorities, Federal Trade Commission, Securities and Exchange Commission, Department of Health and Human Services, Environmental Protection Agency, and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, among others.

We represent public and private corporations, senior corporate executives, employees and other individuals against statutory schemes and allegations, including:

-  Antitrust
-  Environmental violations and regulatory compliance
-  Export/import violations
-  False Claims Act/*qui tam* litigation
-  Foreign Corrupt Practices Act violations
-  Healthcare fraud
-  Insurance fraud
-  Internal investigations
-  Privacy and cybersecurity
-  Procurement fraud
-  Public corruption/RICO
-  Securities and accounting fraud
-  Tax offenses
-  Trade secrets and IP theft



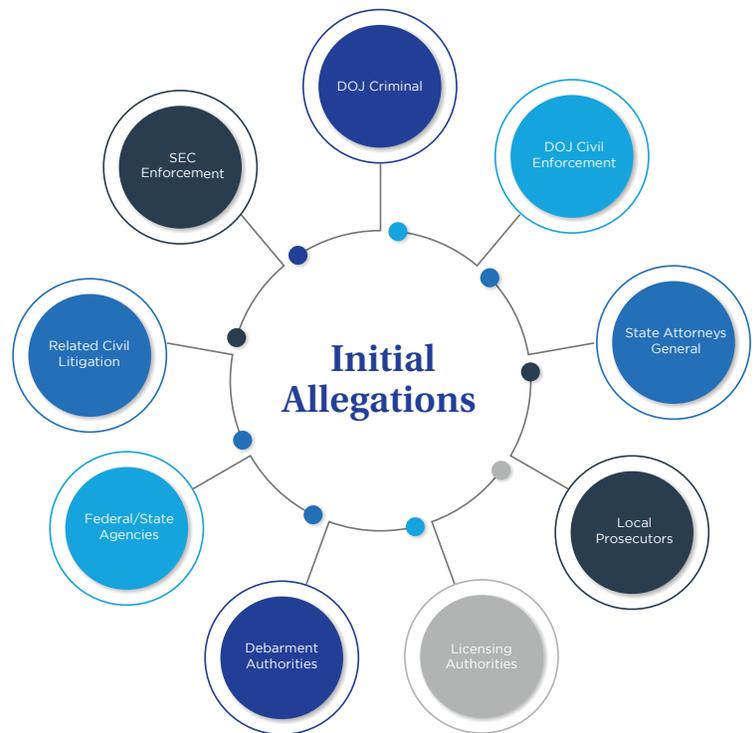
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Benchmark Litigation recognized 34 Husch Blackwell litigators across 22 practices areas—including white collar crime, securities and False Claims Act—as being among the best in the United States in its 2021 edition.

Representative Experience

- Represent a chemical manufacturer in government investigations and a civil lawsuit regarding its alleged role in a chemical spill that created a toxic cloud over a center of population in eastern Kansas. Incident also resulted in indictments for violations of the Clean Air Act.
- Represent the court-appointed receiver in a case filed by the SEC alleging a \$345 million Ponzi scheme by three individuals. The case involves millions of dollars in seized funds, 11 pieces of multimillion dollar real estate, approximately 30 luxury cars, operation of several businesses, and ongoing coordination with federal agencies during parallel criminal and civil proceedings.
- Counseled a “Big Four” accounting firm during a crisis that began when the receiver for a bankrupt former client questioned the auditor’s statement of certain financial transactions. Advised on potential criminal exposure, regulatory scrutiny and shareholder communications.
- Conducted hundreds of internal investigations for Fortune 500, publicly traded companies across a wide range of industries. Frequently leverage findings to advise executive leadership on corrective actions and personnel changes necessary while adjusting policies and procedures.
- Investigated innumerable False Claims Act allegations for multiple publicly traded companies resulting in absolutely no settlements.
- Worked with a national security industry client to avert a costly Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) investigation alleging multiple hazardous materials violations.
- Assisted a “Big Four” accounting firm in navigating a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission investigation, Congressional inquiries and a Department of Justice investigation into issues related to the collapse of a major investment bank.

Husch Blackwell’s team has the experience and knowledge needed in times of crisis, especially when multiple authorities at the federal and state levels initiate actions against clients regarding essentially the same set of facts. Our litigators are able to guide clients through the complexities of mounting a coordinated defense that addresses criminal, civil and administrative law across all U.S. jurisdictions.



Relentless client focus.

At Husch Blackwell, we have built our law firm around one idea: to guide our clients from where they are to where they want to be. Our industry-centric approach gives us a deep understanding of what our clients face every day. But more than that, it creates a shared vision that moves our clients forward.