

Douglas A. Fellman

Partner

Washington, D.C.

Biography

For more than 25 years, Douglas Fellman has represented public and private companies, boards of directors, board committees, and individual officers and directors regarding government and internal investigations, corporate governance matters, and "sticky issues" that occasionally arise at even the best of companies.

While these matters can be among the most consequential and sensitive for his clients, Doug is known for his sound judgment and strategic thinking, business acumen and practicality, and for the sense of calm and discretion that he brings to the representations he leads.

Doug has represented clients in connection with civil, criminal, and administrative investigations and other proceedings involving the U.S. Department of Justice, Securities and Exchange Commission, and other federal and state departments and agencies, often involving cross-border and other multi-jurisdiction or parallel proceedings.

As Doug works with and defends clients, he often advises company senior management and boards of directors on matters of corporate governance, officer and director fiduciary duty, and interactions with outside auditors and other constituencies, including in the context of current or possible future strategic transactions.

Doug regularly represents clients in enforcement



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Practices

Corporate and Securities Litigation
Corporate Governance and Public
Company Representation
Food Law
Government Contracts
International Trade and Investment
Investigations, White Collar, and
Fraud
Litigation Services
Commercial Litigation
Banking and Finance Litigation

Industries

Aerospace and Defense
Consumer

matters involving whistleblower complaints and other alleged compliance exceptions, financial restatements, accounting irregularities, insider trading, and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA). He also has comprehensive knowledge of the Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (with extensive experience representing clients in the food industry in criminal and other enforcement investigations), as well as international trade laws and regulations involving the Commerce, Treasury, and State Departments, government contacts and related suspension and debarment issues, and many other regulatory frameworks. In addition, Doug has successfully represented public companies in matters involving the NYSE, NASDAQ, FINRA, the CBOE, and other regulatory bodies.

Representative experience

Representing more than two dozen public companies, including before the SEC and DOJ, in connection with restatement and accounting matters.

Special engagements by board audit committees and special committees in connection with whistleblower complaints and alleged compliance exceptions.

Leading investigations under the FCPA and other anti-corruption laws for numerous public and private companies.

Representing some of the leading companies in the food industry in connection with civil and criminal enforcement investigations.

Providing counsel to company senior management and boards of directors regarding corporate governance and fiduciary duty matters.

Representing clients before the Commerce, Treasury, and State Departments in connection with international trade enforcement proceedings.

Representing public companies in proceedings involving listing status with the NYSE, NASDAQ, FINRA, and CBOE.

Financial Institutions

Real Estate

Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

Food Recalls

Food Compliance and Enforcement

Anti-boycott Compliance

Anti-money Laundering

Customs and Import Compliance

Export Controls

Sanctions

Bribery and Corruption

Congressional Oversight and Investigations

False Claims Act and Qui Tam

Financial Services Regulatory Investigations and Enforcement

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Anti-Corruption Compliance and Due Diligence

Media and Entertainment

State Attorneys General

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Cornell Law School, 1987

B.A., Johns Hopkins University, 1984

Represent individual officers and directors in connection with governmental and internal investigations related to compliance and other matters.

Awards and rankings

- "Legal Elite" for Criminal Law, *Virginia Business Magazine*, 2007
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Latest thinking and events

- News
 - Blue Bell Creameries Enters into Negotiated Agreements with the Department of Justice to Resolve Investigations Related to Listeria Contamination in Ice Cream
- News
 - Chipotle Mexican Grill Enters into Deferred Prosecution Agreement to Resolve Charges Related to Foodborne Illness Outbreaks

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Maryland

Virginia

Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
