

J. Evans Rice, III

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Biography

Evans Rice is a trusted advisor to companies and their executives, known for his practical judgment and ability to identify and implement straightforward solutions to complex legal challenges across jurisdictions. His practice focuses on white-collar criminal defense, internal investigations, and corporate compliance, helping clients minimize the impact of government enforcement actions on their business and reputation.

Evans has advanced his clients objectives in a broad range of criminal enforcement matters, including allegations of fraud, corruption, money laundering, sanctions violations, and environmental crimes. Many of these cases are multijurisdictional, requiring strategic coordination with various state regulators and a nuanced understanding of privacy and data protection laws. He also brings substantial experience in handling congressional investigations, having served as counsel to the United States Senate Judiciary Committee.

Before joining Hogan Lovells, Evans served as a federal prosecutor with the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice and the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia. His exceptional work in prosecuting official misconduct and human trafficking cases earned him the Assistant Attorney General's Award for Superior Performance in 2007. Evans began his legal career clerking for the



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Practices

Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud

Industries

Life Sciences and Health Care
Financial Institutions
Energy and Natural Resources
Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

Anti-money Laundering
Bribery and Corruption
Congressional Investigations
Export Controls

Honorable Samuel G. Wilson of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia.

Representative experience

Advising global telecom under the largest ever export controls and trade sanctions settlement agreement with DOJ, OFAC, and the Department of Commerce. Secured lifting of Denial Order imposed by DOC.

Counsel to the world's leading business information company in an FCPA investigation in China and voluntary disclosure to the SEC and DOJ.

Represented Singaporean company in DOJ sanctions investigation of alleged business transactions with North Korea.

Counsel to a Fortune 100 pharmaceutical company in a DOJ and SEC investigation of alleged bribe payments in Mexico.

Conducted internal investigation for a major pharmaceutical company of allegedly corrupt payments to a customs broker in Mexico.

Counsel to Big Four Accounting Firm in an FCPA investigation in South Africa, Brazil, and the UAE.

Counsel to a Malaysian manufacturing company in a federal criminal sanctions and money-laundering investigation.

Counsel to entertainment promotion company in an FCPA investigation by DOJ in Egypt.

Represented the nation's largest health insurer in three Senate and two House Committee investigations, and follow-on inquiries by state attorneys general, state legislatures, and a federal agency.

Counsel to multiple universities and life sciences companies in an investigation by a Select Panel of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Counsel to a global sporting and music entertainment company in an investigation by the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Sanctions

Anti-Corruption Compliance and Due Diligence

State Attorneys General

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Duke University School of Law, cum laude, 2001

M.T.S., Duke University, summa cum laude, 2001

B.A., Wofford College, summa cum laude, 1997

Memberships

Member, D.C. Bar, White Collar Subcommittee

Member, Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Alabama

Court admissions

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

Counsel to a pharmaceutical company in an investigation by a U.S. senator and related state AG investigations of opioid marketing practices.

Secured declination for a Fortune 500 technology company in a civil false claims act investigation in the Southern District of New York.

Counsel to an executive of a global investment bank in a DOJ "spoofing" investigation.

Counsel to a senior executive of an international automotive company in a DOJ investigation regarding theft of trade secrets.

Counsel to a senior executive of a Fortune 100 company in parallel DOJ and SEC investigations of accounting fraud.

Awards and rankings

- Dispute Resolution: Corporate Investigations and White-Collar Criminal Defense, *Legal 500 US*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

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- Insights and Analysis
 - Doing business in the United States
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 - Doing business in the United States 2022
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 - Doing business in the United States 2021