

Virginia (Ginny) A. Gibson

Partner

Philadelphia

Biography

Ginny Gibson is there when the whistleblower calls, the subpoena lands, or the agents appear at the door with a warrant. She helps companies and executives ferret out compliance issues to self-correct. She defends against accusations of fraud and regulatory violations and helps clients resolve enforcement problems.

A trial lawyer for over 30 years, she tries civil cases and defends clients under federal and state criminal and civil scrutiny, finding solutions to legal and compliance issues and regulatory uncertainty while advancing business objectives. Because Ginny was a federal prosecutor for over 20 years, and the First Assistant U.S. Attorney and Civil Chief in Delaware and Philadelphia, she knows the language to engage with the enforcement team to get results.

Representative experience

Conducted internal investigations of academic credentials and grant issues at universities.

Secured declination of a federal off-label and grant fraud criminal and civil investigation for a pharmaceutical company.

Secured declination of a civil False Claims Act investigation involving Medicare coverage issues for a national health insurer.

Obtained a deferred prosecution and False Claims Act settlement for a pharmaceutical company for alleged violations of the Anti-Kickback Statute.



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Practices

Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud

Crisis Leadership Team

Technology Litigation

Industries

Life Sciences and Health Care

Sports, Media and Entertainment

Areas of focus

False Claims Act and Qui Tam

Anti-Corruption Compliance and Due Diligence

Sports

Media

Secured declination of Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act investigation of financial services offered by a bank client.

Represented witnesses in a major defense contract fraud criminal prosecution.

Represented a manufacturer in connection with a voluntary disclosure of Clean Water Act violations.

Represented a hospital in connection with a voluntary disclosure of potentially medically unnecessary surgeries.

Successfully defended academic safety net health system at full evidentiary hearing to defeat FTC and Pennsylvania Attorney General effort to stop merger.

Represented global pharmaceutical manufacturer in Lanham Act dispute with competitor.

Secured declination of criminal investigation by DOJ for electronic medical records developer where allegations concerned violation of the HHS Office of National Coordinator software standards.

Represented pharmaceutical manufacturing company in US\$600m criminal, civil, and administrative resolution of alleged health care fraud causing medically unnecessary prescriptions.

Represented academic medical center in defense of civil False Claims Act suit by whistleblower relating to alleged unnecessary surgeries and upcoding in relation to the Stark Act.

Representing children who are victims of abuse and neglect as a Child Advocate in Philadelphia County Family Court.

Convinced U.S. Attorney to secure dismissal of whistleblower suit against global pharmaceutical manufacturer for alleged violation of Anti-Kickback Statute in relation to patient support services.

Represented former military officers serving as witnesses in a major defense contract fraud criminal prosecution related to services for troops in Afghanistan.

Esports and Gaming

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Boston University School of Law, cum laude, 1980

B.A., DePauw University, cum laude, 1976

Memberships

Board Member, The Public Interest Law Center

Bar admissions and qualifications

Pennsylvania

Delaware

Massachusetts

Court admissions

U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania

Secured injunction for the city of Philadelphia in its suit to prevent the DOJ from withholding grant funds and secured declaratory judgment that its policies did not create a "Sanctuary City."

Secured a highly favorable settlement during jury trial for global medical device company in defense of trade secret and business tort claims after cross examination of opponent's CEO.

Awards and rankings

- Fellow, *American College of Trial Lawyers*, 2021
- Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations (Pennsylvania), *Chambers USA*, 2020-2021
- Litigator of the Week (11 December), *The American Lawyer*, 2020
- White Collar Crime, *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*, 2014-2021
- Attorney of the Year (Finalist), *The Legal Intelligencer*, 2019
- Woman of the Year, *The Legal Intelligencer*, 2012

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - PA lawsuit taking on preemption of local gun safety laws dismissed; City of Philadelphia and families of gun violence victims vow to appeal
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells, families of gun violence victims, the City of Philadelphia, and CeaseFirePA present first court argument in their case against Pennsylvania Firearm Preemption
- Awards and Rankings
 - Virginia Gibson admitted to American College of Trial Lawyers
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells secures final victory in major Philadelphia healthcare merger
- Awards and Rankings

- Hogan Lovells duo recognized by The American Lawyer as Litigators of the Week following significant win in Philadelphia
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells wins court battle with FTC over major Philadelphia healthcare merger