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PRACTICES

Cartel - Government
Investigations & Litigation
Complex Civil Litigation
Internal Investigations
White Collar Defense

REGIONS

Latin America

EDUCATION

J.D., The George Washington
University Law School, *with*
honors, 2008

B.A., Northwestern University,
2001

LANGUAGES

French

Lauren E. Briggerman

MEMBER

Lauren Briggerman focuses her practice on white collar defense in criminal and civil matters. She represents corporations and executives in government investigations and criminal litigation, including in the areas of criminal antitrust, money laundering, bank fraud, and government contracts fraud.

In particular, she has developed expertise in global cartel investigations. She has a successful track record in defending companies and executives in some of the most notable international cartel investigations in recent years, including those involving the auto parts, air cargo, freight forwarding, and pharmaceutical industries.

Ms. Briggerman writes and speaks frequently on cartel and other white collar issues. She is the co-executive editor of the firm's *Executives at Risk* newsletter, a quarterly publication that reports on the most noteworthy cases and investigations implicating corporate executives. She is also a founding member of the Women's Antitrust Forum, a Washington, DC-based organization that brings together women antitrust practitioners for professional development purposes. In addition, she is an active member of the Women's White Collar Defense Association and American Bar Association's Cartel and Criminal Practice Committee, and serves as Vice Chair of the Compliance & Ethics Committee in the ABA's Antitrust Law Section.

She previously clerked for the Honorable Thomas C. Wheeler of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

Representative Engagements

- Defended a public company against allegations of price-fixing in the freight forwarding industry in at least eight countries, including the U.S. As a result of these efforts, our team has convinced all but one of the jurisdictions to drop their investigations into the company.
- Defended one of the top 200 largest construction companies in the United States in a joint investigation by DOJ's Antitrust Division and the U.S. Attorney's Office in DC for alleged anti-competitive fraud in performing small business set-aside contracts with the government. Our team ultimately secured a highly favorable plea agreement in which the company was required to pay a corporate fine far below that in similar cases.
- Defended numerous corporate executives against prosecution in the DOJ's investigation into alleged cartel conduct in the auto parts industry, the Department's largest antitrust investigation in history. As a result, none of them has been prosecuted by the DOJ.
- Obtained an extremely favorable sentence for an Afghan construction company and

a senior executive in criminal cases in U.S. District Courts in Chicago and Honolulu involving alleged bribery of U.S. military officials located in Kabul, Afghanistan.

- Obtained a rare *nolo contendere* ("no contest") plea for a U.S.-based cargo airline in a criminal case in U.S. District Court in Miami involving alleged antitrust violations in the air cargo industry. As a result, the company did not have to plead guilty to a federal crime.
- Represented more than a dozen executives of a U.S. bank in interviews by the DOJ, SEC, and OCC in a major bank fraud investigation.
- Defended two former executives of a U.S. bank in a five-week federal jury trial involving the bank's failure.

Government Experience

- Legal Intern, United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, 2006
- Legislative Assistant, Congressman Marty Meehan, United States House of Representatives, 2003 - 2005
- Legislative Correspondent, Senator Paul Sarbanes, United States Senate, 2001 - 2003

Rankings and Recognition

- *Who's Who Legal: Investigations - Future Leaders: Partners*, 2019 - 2020, 2022
- *Legal 500: Antitrust: Cartel*, 2017 - 2022
- *Washington, DC Super Lawyers®*: Rising Star, Criminal Defense: White Collar, 2018 - 2019
- DC Bar Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2015, 2017 - 2018, 2020
- DC Bar Capital Pro Bono High Honor Roll, 2016
- Client Service Excellence Award, Paul Hastings LLP, 2013
- George Washington University Law School Community Legal Clinics Volunteer Service Award, 2008

Affiliations

- Vice Chair, Compliance and Ethics Committee, Antitrust Law Section, American Bar Association
- Vice President and Founding Member, Women's Antitrust Forum
- Member, American Bar Association Cartel & Criminal Practice Committee
- Member, Litigation Section, American Bar Association

- Member, Antitrust Section, American Bar Association
- Member, Development Committee, Women's White Collar Defense Association

Admissions

STATE ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Maryland

Clerkships

- Clerk, The Honorable Thomas C. Wheeler, United States Court of Federal Claims