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Arthur is a respected white collar defense attorney, representing companies and individuals in government inquiries, criminal proceedings, civil and administrative enforcement actions, and internal investigations. His clients include Fortune 500 companies, executives and directors of publicly traded and private companies, small businesses and owners, universities, and nonprofits.

Arthur focuses his practice primarily on False Claims Act (FCA) defense and has deep experience in the areas of health care fraud and abuse, anti-kickback violations, and government contracts fraud. He responds to *qui tam* and whistleblower suits as well as government-initiated inquiries, counsels on defense strategy and retaliation avoidance, defends civil investigative demand letters, leads sensitive internal investigations, and positions clients for quick and quiet resolutions.

He also has broad experience defending clients in non FCA-related governmental allegations of mail fraud, public corruption, sanctions violations, insider trading and other securities fraud, and tax fraud, as well as defeating fraud claims in a purely commercial context.

Arthur frequently represents clients in state and federal courts throughout the country. But as a lifelong Philadelphian, who matriculated, clerked, trained, and practices in Philadelphia, Arthur brings invaluable knowledge of the local bar and bench to every local engagement.

Beyond his private practice, Arthur regularly handles pro bono matters through the Pennsylvania Innocence Project. He was a core member of the legal team that won release for Dontia Patterson, who was incarcerated as a teenager and served 10 years in prison for a murder he did not commit. The District Attorney's Office ultimately joined the defense request for the conviction to be vacated without retrial, and the city paid Patterson \$1.2M to settle his civil right claims. Arthur also volunteers with the nonprofit, Focused Athletics, helping inner city athletes earn admission to college and, with his wife, is an active supporter of college sports.

Arthur graduated from Temple University Beasley School of Law, *magna cum laude*, and the University of Pennsylvania, *cum laude*, where he was an offensive lineman on the football team. Arthur joined Cozen O'Connor following clerkships with District Court Judge Mitchell S. Goldberg and Magistrate Judge David R. Strawbridge, both of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

## Experience

Conducted an internal investigation for an residential addiction treatment provider in response to whistleblower claims by a former employee, resulting in complete resolution in less than two months.

Represented a residential nursing facility in responding to a Civil Investigative Demand related to the death of a resident. The matter resolved favorably and without civil or criminal litigation.

Defended a hospital in *qui tam* litigation regarding its partnership contracts with another hospital system.

Represented the owner of a medical practice in connection with a government investigation regarding the sale of the practice to a hospital system, resulting in no civil or criminal action by the government.

## Practice Areas

- White Collar Defense & Investigations
- Health Care & Life Sciences
- Securities Litigation & SEC Enforcement
- Government & Regulatory

## Education

- Temple University—James E. Beasley School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2010
- University of Pennsylvania, B.A., 2007

## Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

## Clerkships

Hon. Mitchell S. Goldberg, U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania  
 Hon. David R. Strawbridge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

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Represented the owner of a compound pharmacy in a criminal bribery investigation concerning sales representatives and ordering physicians, resulting in no charges or further action against the client.

Represented an executive in a criminal bribery investigation against a pharmaceutical company and its leadership, obtaining immunity for our client.

Represented a health care consulting company in responding to a Civil Investigative Demand by demonstrating that no FCA violation had occurred and that the consultant helped providers improve compliance with Medicare rules. The matter resolved without further investigation, and the client was not required to respond to the demand. FCA violation had occurred and that the consultant helped providers improve compliance with Medicare rules. The matter resolved without further investigation, and the client was not required to respond to the demand.

Represented a bond issuer in an investigation by the SEC involving analysis of bond trading prices. No charges or civil claims were filed.

Defended technology company in bet-the-company litigation involving the application of federal statutory regulations to the companies main product. The matter resolved by agreement before trial.

Represented a health care insurer in nationwide multi-district federal antitrust litigation.

Defended commercial manufacturer in multi-party international antitrust litigation, resulting in favorable settlement.

Defended large national manufacturer in litigation and federal trial of contract claims and tort claims, narrowing the client's exposure significantly through motion practice.

Represented a company in an investigation of embezzlement, fraud, and other wrongdoing by its President and CEO. The matter resolved favorably and without civil or criminal litigation.

Conducted an internal investigation of a bank's board of directors in response to an employee's allegations of wrongdoing and retaliation by its President and CEO.

Represented an individual in a federal investigation involving insider trading.

Litigated Title IX and civil rights claims against school district, resulting in a favorable settlement.

Represented public university in Title IX litigation.