

**INSIGHT** 

Secured Full Dismissal on Brink of Trial of Criminal Charges Against Dentist in Alleged US\$158M Health Care Fraud and Money-Laundering Scheme

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In October 2022, just one week before a five-week trial, obtained a full dismissal of all criminal charges against Dr. Leyla Nourian, who had been indicted in 2017 on charges related to an alleged US\$158M healthcare fraud and money-laundering scheme involving compound pharmacies owned and operated by her family members.

In the months leading up to trial, we negotiated relentlessly with the DOJ to seek a resolution of the case that would eliminate any risk that Dr. Nourian would face prison time. Our persistent efforts, and pretrial filings—which included evidence from a handwriting expert showing Dr. Nourian had not participated in the scheme and that her brother and others had forged her signature—convinced the DOJ that it had pursued the wrong defendant.

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