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Kristin is an associate in Winston's White Collar & Government Investigations practice. She focuses her practice on white collar criminal defense, government enforcement matters, and complex internal investigations.

Kristin provides strategic counsel to corporations and individuals facing high-stakes federal investigations and proceedings. She has represented clients in connection with Department of Justice (DOJ) and Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) investigations, including matters involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), federal securities law violations, and the False Claims Act (FCA). Kristin has experience managing cross-border internal investigations for multinational companies and conducting anti-corruption risk management.

Kristin's experience includes representing clients in complex federal criminal matters through all phases of litigation. Notably, Kristin served on the defense team in *United States v. Kenia Valle Boza*, a first-of-its-kind Medicare Advantage criminal prosecution. The defense secured a full acquittal after a two-week jury trial.

Kristin also completed a secondment as Global Investigations and Compliance Counsel, where she led multiple international internal investigations and advised on global regulatory risks. Prior to joining Winston, Kristin was a litigation associate at another AM100 law firm.

Additionally, Kristin served as an investigative analyst in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, where she worked in both the Public Corruption Unit and the Rackets Bureau, supporting the prosecution of complex corruption schemes. She also interned with the SEC's Enforcement Division through its Summer Honors Program.

Kristin maintains an active pro bono practice.

Key Matters

- Secured a full acquittal as a key member of the trial team in *United States v. Kenia Valle Boza*. The DOJ had alleged that Ms. Valle Boza conspired to fraudulently bill over US\$50 million in medical claims to Medicare. The case was touted as a first-of-its-kind Medicare Advantage criminal prosecution.
- Conducted several large, cross border internal investigations into allegations of FCPA and other criminal violations for a multinational healthcare corporation.
- Conducted an internal investigation for a global shipping company involving alleged conflicts of interest and executive misconduct.
- Represented an oil and gas company in connection with DOJ and SEC anti-corruption investigations.

- Represented a healthcare company before federal and state authorities regarding potential FCA violations and related regulatory inquiries.
- Conducted an internal investigation into allegations of earnings management for a publicly traded company.
- Represented a former Chief Financial Officer in a securities class action arising out of a company's restated public filings.
- Represented a not-for-profit membership organization in an investigation by a State Attorney General and related civil proceedings.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Kristin earned her J.D. from the University of Notre Dame Law School in 2019. She received her B.A. from Hamilton College in 2013.

ADMISSIONS

- New York

Capabilities

White Collar & Government Investigations

Litigation/Trials

Government Program Fraud, False Claims Act & Qui Tam Litigation

Compliance Programs

Healthcare

Life Sciences

Technology, Media & Telecommunications