Inside the DOJ Playbook: New Guidance on Whistleblowers, Leniency, and Self-Disclosure

Zoom Webinar

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June 29, 2026 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm (EDT)

The Department of Justice is reshaping its approach to corporate enforcement — and companies are under increasing pressure to respond quickly and strategically when potential misconduct arises.

With the launch of the Antitrust Division's first-ever whistleblower rewards program, revisions to corporate self-disclosure policies, and a renewed focus on compliance and cooperation in all white-collar enforcement areas, organizations now face far more complex decisions about whether — and when — to self-disclose. A misstep can significantly affect charging decisions, penalties, and long-term business consequences.

Join Kelley Drye Partners Sean Farrell and Tom Rybarczyk — both former senior federal prosecutors — for an inside look at how the DOJ evaluates corporate conduct, exercises prosecutorial discretion, and determines cooperation credit. Sean served as Chief of the Antitrust Division's New York Office and helped shape its whistleblower and compliance programs while Tom served as the Chief of the Public Corruption and Civil Rights Section in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles where he focused on prosecuting public corruption and fraud. Sean and Tom will draw on their firsthand experiences to provide practical guidance for companies navigating internal investigations and high-stakes enforcement matters. The discussion will be moderated by White Collar Partner Sandy Musumeci.

Topics Will Include:

- How the DOJ evaluates self-disclosure and corporate cooperation
- Practical implications of the Antitrust Division's whistleblower and leniency programs
- Strategies for navigating multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional investigations
- What current DOJ enforcement priorities mean for compliance programs and risk management

Who Should Attend

This program is designed for in-house counsel, chief compliance officers, litigation and regulatory practitioners, and anyone advising organizations on government investigations, enforcement risk, and corporate compliance.

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Supplemental Materials

- Corporate Enforcement and Voluntary Self-Disclosure Policy
- Focus, Fairness, and Efficiency in the Fight Against White Collar Crime
- Guidance on Coordinating Corporate Resolution Penalties in Parallel Criminal, Civil, Regulatory, and Administrative Proceedings
- Revised Department of Justice Corporate Whistleblower Awards Pilot Program
- National Health Care Fraud Takedown Results in 324 Defendants Charged in Connection with Over $14.6 Billion in Alleged Fraud
- The Fraud Division Launches West Coast Strike Force to Target Health Care Fraud Schemes Across Arizona, Nevada, and Northern California
- Civil Division Moves to Fast-Track Benefits Fraud Enforcement
- Antitrust Division and U.S. Postal Service Make First-Ever Whistleblower Payment: $1M Awarded for Reporting Antitrust Crime
- United States v. EBlock Corporation
- MOU Regarding the Whistleblower Rewards Program and Procedures

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