Kristen Dooley Perriello Principal



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Practice Areas

Government Enforcement & Compliance
Complex Investigations

Education

Boston University School of Law JD (2014) cum laude Editor, Review of Banking & Financial Law

Northeastern University BA (2011) magna cum laude

Clerkship

The Honorable Joseph Grasso Jr., Massachusetts Appeals Court

Admissions

Massachusetts
U.S. District Court, Massachusetts
U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

Kristen Perriello helps healthcare, life sciences and other companies across a wide range of industries to effectively manage complex litigation issues, with an emphasis on government enforcement actions, internal investigations, and compliance advice. She is known for her ability to learn her client's business inside and out to deliver practical solutions and advice that is tailored directly to particular business needs.

Kristen represents corporations and individuals across a wide-range of industries, with a particular emphasis on cases involving the False Claims Act, Anti-Kickback Statute, Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and securities laws. She also conducts internal investigations on behalf of corporate clients to evaluate potential exposure under federal statutes, and advises clients on various compliance issues, including healthcare fraud, the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and securities matters, and helps clients by preventing and curing corporate misconduct issues and assisting them in ensuring strong ongoing corporate compliance.

Kristen recently served as a Special Assistant District Attorney with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, where she gained significant criminal trial and motion practice experience.

Representative Engagements

- Represent defense contractors in False Claims Act investigations.
- Defend global biopharmaceutical company in False Claims Act investigation, related qui tam action, and subsequent appeal.
- Defend major pharmaceutical companies and medical device companies in federal and state investigations.
- Advise life sciences companies regarding commercial and medical activities, patient services, patient assistance programs, and clinical educator compliance measures, and defend companies in government investigations regarding these programs.
- Represent life sciences companies in internal investigations of alleged compliance violations asserted by whistleblowers.
- Defend individuals in healthcare fraud investigations, SEC investigations and related cases.
- Represent medical device company in settlement negotiations with state and federal authorities, including negotiation and implementation of Corporate Integrity Agreement.
- Counsel university and teaching hospital clients regarding potential False Claims Act implications of alleged scientific misconduct.

- Advise international pharmaceutical and medical device companies on potential FCPA violations and their impact on corporate transactions.
- Conduct independent investigation into alleged sexual harassment and gender-based discrimination at a major university.

Publications and Presentations

- "Insights from Medical Device Corporate Integrity Agreements," panelist, 24th Annual Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Ethics and Compliance Congress, October 2023
- "Navigating the Legal Considerations of Patient Assistance," moderator, Pharmaceutical Compliance Congress, April 2023
- "The Libor Scandal," author, 32 Rev. of Banking & Fin. L. 2

Professional and Community Involvement

- Member, Boston Bar Association
- Participates in Choate's legal clinic for the homeless program through the Lawyers Clearinghouse
- Provides education-related pro bono counsel through Choate's partnership with the EdLaw Project
- Former member, Choate's Associates' Committee

Recognition

- Massachusetts Super Lawyers Rising Star
- Honors Recipient, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Pro Bono Honor Roll (2023)