



White Collar Crime

In today's environment of heightened regulatory scrutiny and increased enforcement activities where reputations and the ability to do business with the public sector are at stake and serious penalties and damage awards are possible, Stikeman Elliott delivers coordinated strategies to address the multi-faceted risks posed by criminal and civil investigations and actions.

Our team consists of skilled and experienced defence counsel that have assisted clients through allegations of corporate misconduct, employee fraud/misappropriation, corruption, financial misstatements, and related investigation, disclosure, liability and governance matters, as well as public sector contracting processes. We regularly assist corporations in resolving matters, often as part of a global settlement strategy. We work seamlessly with our clients' in-house legal and business teams and other external advisors to develop an approach that is strategic and tailored to their unique situation.

We have a broad range of global and domestic experience in conducting internal investigations on behalf of clients. Our work in this area has included proactively and transparently addressing whistleblower complaints, responding to regulatory inquiries, interviewing witnesses, document collection and review, coordinating legal representation for individuals who require their own counsel, conducting early case assessment, and ensuring general counsel, senior management, boards and special committees are fulfilling their duties and responsibilities.

Our Expertise

- Anti-corruption and bribery
- Anti-money laundering
- Corporate misconduct
- Disclosure requirements
- Employee fraud/misappropriation
- Enforcement actions
- External investigations
- Financial misstatements
- Insider trading
- Internal investigations
- Mareva injunctions
- Occupational health and safety
- Public sector authorization processes
- Regulatory inquiries
- Responses to requests for information
- Tax and accounting fraud
- Whistleblower complaints

Recent Work

- We have represented clients in matters investigated and prosecuted by the Department of Justice, Department of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Competition Bureau, Securities Administrators across Canada, Canadian stock exchanges, Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC), RCMP, Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (OSFI), Financial Services Commission of Ontario and other provincial insurance regulators, Canada Revenue Agency, Health Canada, Environment Canada and provincial environmental authorities, and the National Energy Board and provincial energy regulators.