Cross-Border Investigations



Skadden's global resources and experience enable the firm to anticipate and respond to the many demands created by multijurisdictional investigations and proceedings routinely pursued by investigative agencies in the U.S. and around the world.

Our various offices and depth of knowledge across the firm's practices position us to conduct fact-finding and analysis in connection with some of the most complex cross-border investigations in virtually every country in which our clients conduct business.

We have attorneys in key financial centers in the Americas, Europe and Asia Pacific — many of whom are former prosecutors and/ or regulators — who handle cross-border investigations across a broad range of topics. We have helped our clients with investigations involving, among other subjects, corruption/bribery, antitrust/cartels, money laundering, economic sanctions, customs and export controls, insider trading, market abuse and other financial institution regulatory issues, accounting, public company disclosures, securities and derivatives enforcement, and tax. When necessary, we are able to call upon a network of local counsel with whom we have long-established relationships.

The firm also has significant experience conducting internal investigations and compliance-related due diligence, as well as designing, implementing and reviewing compliance programs for multinational companies.

Our experience and reach in this space have been recognized by numerous publications. For example, Skadden was named among Law360's White Collar Groups of the Year for 2018. We also were named The American Lawyer's 2018 White Collar/Regulatory Litigation Department of the Year. Skadden was named as having one of the top practices worldwide in Global Investigations Review's 2020 GIR 30, a ranking of leading firms handling internal and government-led investigations. The firm also was recognized in the publication for representing Société Générale in the 2018 Most Important Development in Investigations, for SocGen's successful, precedent-setting resolution of long-standing investigations. In 2019, for the sixth year in a row, no other firm had more attorneys named in Who's Who Legal: Investigations. We also received the award for Global Dispute of the Year, Investigations from The American Lawyer at its 2015 Global Legal Awards for our representation of 10 Swiss banks that obtained non-prosecution agreements from the U.S. Department of Justice pursuant to the DOJ Tax Division Program for Swiss banks. We also were ranked as a top firm for corporate investigations in Chambers Global and Chambers USA, and named Investigations Firm of the Year at the 2015 and 2014 Who's Who Legal Awards.