

Whistleblower

Related Practices:

- <u>Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)</u>
- <u>Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)</u>
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- 国税局举报人
- 《虚假申报法》—— 海关和关税欺诈

Our whistleblower clients come from a variety of backgrounds, but they all have one thing in common: they see something wrong and want to make it right. Like our clients, we believe wrongdoers should be held accountable when they commit fraud, cut corners, inflate bills, underpay taxes, or put innocent people in harm's way.

We know that coming forward as a whistleblower isn't easy. It's complicated, it can be stressful, and it can take time. We have the skills, experience, and determination to stand by you, protect your rights, and help you get the best result.

We will listen to your story. We will support you and prepare you for what to expect. And we will help you put your best foot forward through every possible step of the process, including case development, government investigations, legal filings, litigation, or settlement.

Learn More About Whistleblower Programs

There are a variety of paths for potential whistleblowers to consider when deciding whether to come forward. They include:

- The <u>Federal False Claims Act</u>, for cases reporting wrongdoing related to federal government funds. We have filed and litigated federal FCA cases across the country, including in federal courts in California, Arizona, Utah, Montana, Texas, Illinois, Ohio, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, New York, and Massachusetts.
- State False Claims Acts, for cases reporting wrongdoing related to state government funds (and sometimes state taxes). We have attorneys admitted to practice in a number of states with their own state-law False Claims Acts, including:
 - California False Claims Act
 - New Jersey False Claims Act
 - o New York False Claims Act
 - Washington D.C. False Claims Act



- We also partner with other law firms to file cases in other states with whistleblower laws.
- The <u>Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Whistleblower Reward</u> <u>Program</u>, for cases reporting violations of federal securities laws.
- The <u>Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) Whistleblower Reward</u> <u>Program</u>, for cases reporting violations of the Commodity Exchange Act.
- The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Whistleblower Reward Program, for cases reporting violations of federal tax laws.
- The Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act (FIRREA) whistleblower process, for cases reporting fraud involving federally insured financial institutions.
- The Anti-Money Laundering Whistleblower program, for cases reporting violations of the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA).
- The Kleptocracy Asset Recovery Rewards Program, for cases reporting information that can lead to the restraint, seizure, forfeiture, or repatriation of assets in the United States or in the possession of a US person linked to foreign government corruption.
- Environmental whistleblower programs for cases reporting violations like unlawful ocean dumping, trafficking in illegal or endangered plants or animals, or threats to public health.

How do I start?

We have written a guide to what the process looks like for *qui tam* cases: <u>Understanding Whistleblower or Qui Tam Cases</u>.

Hemos escrito una guía sobre cómo es el proceso para los casos *qui tam*: <u>Comprender</u> <u>los casos de denunciantes o qui tam</u>.

我们概述了 qui tam 案件的法律流程: 了解 "举报人" 和 qui tam 案件。

Call us at (212) 337-5361. Submit an inquiry on our website. Or email us at <u>confidential@pollockcohen.com</u>. We want to hear your story.