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**PRACTICES**

- Government Investigations and White Collar Litigation
- White Collar Defense
- Export Controls
- False Claims and Qui Tam
- Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
- International Trade
- Government Contracts
- Healthcare Litigation
- Healthcare Law
- Technology and Outsourcing
- Ecommerce
- Outsourcing
- Procurement

**INDUSTRIES**

- Defense and Government Contracting
- Energy
- Healthcare
- Life Sciences
- Technology
- Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) / Drones

**INTERNATIONAL**

- China and Hong Kong

Pat’s practice focuses on criminal and civil enforcement proceedings and internal investigations. He has substantial experience in federal law enforcement, as well as international and national security matters. He also advises corporate clients on compliance with the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the ITAR, the EAR and OFAC regulations.

Pat spent 18 years in the Department of Justice (DOJ). He most recently served as Assistant Attorney General for National Security. In that Senate-confirmed position, Pat led the National Security Division (NSD), which was formally created by statute in 2006 to bring together all of DOJ’s national security operations under a single authority. As part of his duties, he supervised the government’s practice before the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court; the oversight of intelligence-collection activities; the coordinated nationwide counterterrorism enforcement program; the administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act; and the oversight of all espionage investigations.

He also oversaw DOJ’s review of foreign acquisitions of U.S. companies through the interagency Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS). He previously served as the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the NSD, where he managed DOJ’s national security investigations and prosecutions. In both positions, Pat was responsible for supervising all of DOJ’s prosecutions of export violations.

As a result of his DOJ service, he has particular experience in the application of the material support statutes, the Arms Export Control Act, the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, and statutes relating to economic espionage or disclosure of classified information. As the Principal Deputy, he directed the launch and implementation of a nationwide export enforcement initiative, an interagency effort to target the illegal export of sensitive technology and weapons components. Pat continued to lead this initiative as Assistant Attorney General.

Pat gained extensive courtroom experience while serving as an assistant U.S. attorney for more than 10 years in Washington, D.C. During his tenure, he handled more than 60 jury trials and a number of arguments before the District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

**EXPERIENCE**

- Representation involving internal investigation of foreign financial institution in connection with potential violations of OFAC regulations relating to Iran Sanctions.
- Counsel conducting FCPA compliance review of medical device manufacturer in connection with acquisition.
- Representation of business owner criminally charged with violation of OFAC regulations relating to Iran Sanctions.
- Representation of government sub-contractor facing civil False Claims Act litigation relating to kickback scheme conducted by employee of primary contractor.
- Representation of Fortune 50 firm regarding compliance with OFAC sanctions in connection with overseas business opportunities in Africa.

- Counsel to medical device manufacturer regarding potential FCPA violations in Eastern Europe.
- Representation of European insurance executive in connection with criminal prosecution of international fraud scheme.
- Counsel to U.S. subsidiary regarding ITAR compliance relating to information accessible to foreign parent company.
- Representation of senior civilian government employee in connection with conflict of interest investigation conducted by the agency's Inspector General.
- Counsel conducting internal investigation of financial institution relating to compliance with immigration laws.
- Representation of senior employee of large international oil-sector business in connection with DOJ investigation of potential violations of OFAC regulations relating to Iran Sanctions.
- Counsel to foreign purchaser of U.S. telecommunications company in connection with CFIUS review.
- Counsel to numerous U.S. businesses on compliance with ITAR, EAR and OFAC regulations in connection with international operations.
- Counsel to Eastern European subsidiary of U.S.-based professional services firm regarding FCPA compliance.
- Representation of healthcare executive in connection with investigation of kickbacks and false claims.
- Counsel to domestic manufacturer of defense systems during CFIUS review of its acquisition by a European company.

## EDUCATION

- University of Virginia School of Law, JD, Order of the Coif, 1989
- Dartmouth College, BA, Philosophy, cum laude, 1986

## ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Maryland

## HONORS

- Named a "Local Litigation Star," *Benchmark Litigation*, 2018
- Selected for inclusion as a "Leading Lawyer," Corporate Investigations And White-Collar Criminal Defense, Washington, D.C., Legal 500 US, 2017
- Recipient, Director's Award for Superior Performance as Assistant U.S. Attorney, Executive Office of U.S. Attorneys, 2005
- Senior Litigation Counsel, U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, 2001

## PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "[FinCEN's Caesars Penalty A Cautionary Tale For Casinos](#)," *Law360*,

September 17, 2015

- Co-author, "[Compliance Concerns Complicate Credit Agreements](#)," *Just Anti-Corruption*, September 4, 2015
- Co-author, "[Tinian Dynasty Case Provides A Few Reminders For Casinos](#)," *Law360*, August 10, 2015
- Co-author, "[ITAR Violations: Mistake Or Willful Act?](#)," *Law 360*, May 6, 2014
- Co-author, "[Food And Beverage Industry Outlook For 2014: Part 2](#)," *Law360*, January 23, 2014
- Co-author, "[Taking Your Medicine: Navigating Industry-Targeted Enforcement of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act](#)," Washington Legal Foundation, November 2010
- Author, "Catch-22: Deconstructing FCPA Sting of Arms Exporters," *The Export Practitioner*, February 2010
- Author, "Conviction of Professor Roth Will Increase Focus on U.S. Labs," *The Export Practitioner*, August 2009

## EVENTS

- Speaker, "FCPA and Economic Sanctions," American Conference Institute's 10th Advanced Forum on FCPA & Anti-Corruption for the Life Sciences Industry, April 28, 2016
- Speaker, "Heading Outbound: the Do's, Don'ts and Insight into the Latest Trends," Fourth Annual U.S.-China Legal Summit (Hong Kong), February 25, 2016
- Moderator, "Foreign Corrupt Practices Act," [7th Annual Medical Device and Life Sciences Conference](#), November 19, 2015
- Speaker, "Can You Be Commercial and Compliant?," [FCPA Transactional Diligence](#), Complimentary Live Program, December 3, 2014
- Moderator, "Foreign Corrupt Practices Act," [6th Annual Medical Device and Life Sciences Conference](#), November 18, 2014
- Speaker, "The Prosecution of Professor Roth and Its Aftermath," *The Export Practitioner* Audio-Conference Briefing, November 15, 2011
- Panelist, "Are Your Global Business Partners Exposing You to FCPA Liability?," Merrill Brink International Panel Discussion, March 1, 2011
- Speaker, "Foreign Corrupt Practices Act: Ensuring Compliance and Avoiding the DOJ Target," Elsevier Business Intelligence Webinar, February 17, 2011
- Speaker, "False Claims Act Changes & Compliance Effectiveness," 2nd Annual Medical Device, Durable Medical Equipment & Diagnostics Conference: Key Business & Legal Issues for Manufacturers & Distributors, McGuireWoods LLP Seminar, November 2010
- Speaker, "ITAR Compliance at Universities after the Roth Case," American Bar Association, International Law Section, March 2, 2010
- Speaker, American Conference Institute's 5th National Forum on Export Enforcement & Investigations, January 28, 2010
- Speaker, "Export Controls Prosecution after Pulungan," *The Export Practitioner* Audio-Conference Briefing, September 15, 2009
- Speaker, American Bar Association 4th Annual Homeland Security Law Institute, February 26, 2009

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- Speaker, American Conference Institute's 4th National Forum on Export Enforcement & Investigations, January 29, 2009
- Witness, Hearing Regarding Enforcement of Federal Espionage Laws, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives, January 29, 2008
- Witness, "The USA PATRIOT ACT: Dispelling the Myths," Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives, May 11, 2001

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