

White Collar Crime and Government Investigations in Canada

Overview

The term “white collar crime,” originally coined decades ago, has grown to encompass a wide range of malfeasance. New technologies, financial instruments and regulations have all inspired new methods of age-old crimes: fraud, bribery, market manipulation and outright theft. In such a complex and ever-evolving landscape, even an organization with robust standards and practices may encounter risks.

Our integrated investigation model brings together leaders in data protection and privacy, cybersecurity, investment fraud, competition and antitrust, labor and employment, bribery, money laundering and economic sanctions, as well as industry-specific risks and regulations. Our multidisciplinary teams provide clients with comprehensive and seamless service. We have conducted complex, multijurisdictional investigations, and defended cross-border enforcement actions in more than 90 countries and regions.

Among our distinguished Canadian team members are a certified anti-money laundering specialist with extensive knowledge and experience in anti-bribery matters, a former senior economic crimes prosecutor, and a former Interim Privacy Commissioner of Canada.

Our services include:

- Guiding clients through engagement with regulators and law enforcement agencies to navigate and resolve sensitive matters and, where necessary, defending rights and interests in enforcement proceedings; and
- Identifying and mitigating broader legal risks, including remediating compliance issues, and enhancing risk mitigation policies and procedures.
- Reviewing critical data to develop a detailed analysis of the evidence supporting or refuting any allegations;
- Advising on the preservation, collection and analysis of data and other evidence, including directing and overseeing forensic technology specialists to preserve and uncover key electronic evidence;
- Conducting onsite interviews of key personnel, where necessary, in the local language of the country;
- Working alongside forensic accountants to analyze financial records, where necessary;

Why Dentons?

At Dentons, we put you—our clients—first. Every aspect of our investigation focuses on driving results and efficiency for our clients. Our seasoned defence counsel have an established record of successfully resolving disputes prior to the commencement of a formal investigation; engaging in plea bargaining or, when necessary, proceeding to trial against prominent enforcement authorities in Canada and around the world, achieving successful outcomes and, in some cases, establishing favourable precedents, on behalf of clients across a wide range of industries.

As the world's largest law firm, Dentons combines our broad reach and resources with on-the-ground experience in local communities where the events occurred. No matter where an incident has occurred that requires further investigation, our team of professionals is uniquely positioned to handle to handle any cultural, economic and linguistic components, along with the legal and regulatory aspects. Our clients benefit from more efficient and

cost-effective solutions, because of our global reach and capabilities, preventing us from having to rely on external firms or consultants to learn the local environment.

How we can help

Anti-bribery and global compliance

Our clients can rely on our services, which span all aspects of anti-corruption investigations, regulatory inquiries, criminal defense matters and compliance issues. We also help clients avoid problems from the outset, designing and helping to implement robust anti-corruption compliance programs.

Due diligence

We help corporate clients conduct anti-corruption due diligence in connection with M&A transactions and supply chain management. Dentons conducts due diligence of both present and prospective supply chain partners, and we advise third-party control mechanisms to prevent costly lawsuits and criminal prosecutions.

Anti-money laundering (AML)

Dentons' AML team helps finance sector entities navigate the evolving enforcement environment, and understand the regulatory obligations, risks and potential penalties.

Trade control and economic sanctions

Trade controls and economic sanctions increasingly affect the operations of importing or exporting businesses. These measures can change rapidly and without warning, in response to both multilateral and unilateral decisions by sanctioning countries. Our lawyers regularly assist businesses in designing flexible, proactive compliance strategies to maximize access to markets, while minimizing the risks arising from fluctuating sanctions regimes. No matter where your business is located, our team delivers an integrated "one-stop shop" in this niche regulatory field.

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