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Jim Belanger practices white-collar criminal defense, response to government investigation, lawyer

discipline and ethics, and civil, regulatory and administrative litigation.

Jim is listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® in six categories: (i) Criminal Defense; (ii) White Collar Criminal Defense; (iii) Ethics and Professional Liability; (iv) Commercial Litigation; (v) Regulatory Litigation; and (vi) Qui Tam Litigation. He is also listed in the top tier of *Chambers USA*® for White Collar Criminal Defense and Government Investigations, in *Southwest Super Lawyers*® for White Collar Criminal Defense, and is rated AV Preeminent by *Martindale Hubbell*®.

Jim has also been a member of the Arizona State Bar Committee on the Rules of Professional Conduct and advises lawyers on ethical compliance issues and, represents lawyers in disciplinary proceedings before the State Bar of Arizona.

Representative Matters

- SEC investigation. No prosecution.
- False Claims Act case involving alleged violations of federal housing laws. Successful civil resolution. No prosecution.
- Representation of elected official alleged to have filed false election documents. Case dismissed
- Representation of lawyers in State Bar investigations and proceedings
- Representation of physicians and health care providers in False Claims Act/ Qui Tam cases

- Death Penalty Defense: 1991 to the present
- Representation of trustee in Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases of Boston Chicken, Nelson and Herbert Hunt, and Kaiser Steel (Recoveries in excess of \$2 billion dollars)

Publications and Presentations

"The Continued Expansion of the False Claims Act," *Journal of Health & Life Sciences Law* (October 2010, co-authored with Scott Bennett)

"A Practical Guide to Remediation, Disclosure and Cooperation in the Context of Corporate Misconduct," *American Bar Association – Section of Litigation*, Summer 2005

"Ephemeral Letters of Transit: Responding to Government Requests for Electronically Stored Information," *American Bar Association – Section on Litigation*, Winter 2007

Activities and Recognitions

AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated by *Martindale-Hubbell*® (5.0 out of 5.0)

Best Lawyers in America® 2007-present: White-Collar Criminal Defense, Non-White-Collar Criminal Defense, Ethics and Professional Liability, Commercial Litigation, Regulatory Litigation, and Qui Tam Law

Best Lawyers "Lawyer of the Year": Criminal Defense (Phoenix 2011, 2014, 2017); White Collar Criminal Defense (Phoenix 2016); Litigation-Regulatory Enforcement (Phoenix 2013)

Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Lawyers® 2004-present: Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations

Southwest Super Lawyers® 2007-present: White Collar Criminal Defense

All New England Soccer Selection 1979, 1980; two-time inductee into Brandeis University Athletics Hall of Fame

Education and Bar Admissions

J.D., Arizona State University, with honors, 1987

B.A., Anthropology, Brandeis University, with honors, 1981

Admitted in Arizona, 1987

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