

Latour "LT" Lafferty

Latour "LT" Lafferty is the Practice Leader for the Firm's White Collar Crime, Government Investigations, and Corporate Compliance and Ethics practice. LT is a former federal prosecutor having worked as an Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) in Tampa for ten (10) years and proactively represents organizational and individual clients in federal and state governmental investigations and proceedings involving all aspects of regulatory enforcement and fraud including securities, financial institution/bank, mortgage, healthcare, immigration, tax and related fraud investigations. LT's practice includes white collar criminal defense, grand jury investigations, subpoenas, search warrants, internal investigations, parallel civil and administrative litigation, arbitration & mediation, corporate compliance and ethics, voluntary disclosures and deferred prosecution agreements, independent corporate monitoring, and business torts litigation including fraud and civil theft. LT's practice also includes a variety of State of Florida professional regulatory and disciplinary investigations, the representation of public officers and the provision of ethics advice in matters related to Florida's Code of Conduct for state and local public officers and the Florida Commission on Ethics (FCE) as well as judicial officers in matters pertaining to the Florida Judicial Code of Conduct and the Judicial Qualifications Commission (JQC).

Representative Experience

- The Florida Commission on Ethics
Commissioner, 2006-2008
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, Tampa, FL
Assistant United States Attorney, 1995-2005
Primary responsibility for the investigation, litigation and trial of forty (40) federal criminal and civil offenses.
- Affirmative Civil Enforcement (ACE) Section, Civil Division, Health Care Fraud Unit, 2001-2005. Primary responsibility for the investigation and litigation of False Claims Act (FCA) *qui tam* cases and matters pertaining to the Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act.
- Ethics Advisor, Office Of Counsel To The President, The White House, Washington, D.C., 2001. Detail to Office of Counsel to President George W. Bush responsible for overseeing the preparation and review of Presidential nominee financial disclosure forms for conflicts of interest under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 as amended by the Ethics Reform Act of 1989.
- Associate Independent Counsel, Office of the Independent Counsel (OIC), Robert W. Ray, Washington, D.C., 2000-2001 (Whitewater and Monica Lewinsky). Trial counsel to special prosecutor responsible for criminal investigation, prosecution and disposition (including grand jury presentation) of matter involving President William Jefferson Clinton and Monica Lewinsky.
- Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF), Criminal Division, 1999-2000. Complex narcotics and money laundering investigations involving criminal organizations.
- Major Crimes Section, Criminal Division, 1995-1999. Federal prosecution of a multitude of criminal cases including bank fraud, credit card fraud, government theft, organized violent crime and narcotics offenses, Title II firearms offenses, and offenses occurring within the exclusive federal jurisdiction of the United States including international waters, military installations and other federal territories. Community Policing Coordinator for Manatee & Sarasota Counties (1998-99), St. Petersburg (1997-98), & Hillsborough County (1996-97).
- Middle District Court of Florida, Hon. John H. Moore II, Chief Judge
Judicial Law Clerk
- Middle District Court of Florida, Hon. Elizabeth Kovachevich
Judicial Liaison/Intern



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Practice Areas

Federal Tax
Health Care Compliance
Insurance Litigation and Regulation
Securities and Financial Services Litigation
White Collar Crime, Government Investigations, Corporate Compliance and Ethics

Industries

Health Care
Insurance Company Regulation and Litigation

Education

J.D., *cum laude*, Stetson University
College of Law, 1992
B.A., University of Florida, 1989
Graduate Certificate, Health Management & Leadership, University of South Florida, 2003
Graduate Certificate, Healthcare Corporate Compliance, George Washington University, 2006

Bar Admissions

Florida

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Presentations and Publications

Presentations

- "Fraud, Abuse & Whistleblowers: Risks to Your Rehab Business," Speaker, National Association of Rehabilitation Providers & Agencies (NARA), NARA's 31st Fall Conference, Clearwater, FL, Oct. 2009
- "Conducting Effective Internal Investigations/Crisis Management for Compliance Officers & Attorneys," Co-Speaker, SCCE's Annual Compliance & Ethics Institute, The Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE), Las Vegas, NV, September 2009
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, Compliance Academy, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA), New York, NY, Aug. 2009
- "False Claims Act (FCA) Enforcement Initiatives & Update," Co-Speaker, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) 13th Annual Compliance Institute, Las Vegas, NV, April 2009
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, Compliance Academy, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA), Dallas, TX, March 2009
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, University of Houston Downtown (UHD), Houston, TX, March 2009
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, Compliance Academy, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA), Dallas, TX, March 2009
- "The Law of Ethics," Speaker, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA), Hawaii Regional Conference, Oahu, HI, October 2008
- "Conducting Internal Investigations," Co-Speaker, SCCE's 7th Annual Compliance & Ethics Institute, The Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE), Chicago, IL, September 2008
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, 2008 Compliance Academy, The Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE), Chicago, IL, August 2008
- "Organizational Ethics," Speaker, 2008 Compliance Academy, The Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE), Scottsdale, AZ, February 2008
- "Successfully Pursuing & Defending *Qui Tam* Lawsuits Under The False Claims Act (FCA): From Case Evaluation & Filing To Final Resolution," Speaker, Lorman Education Services Teleconference, November 2007
- "What Is White Collar Crime? Understanding The Nature Of White Collar Crime & The Role Of Corporate Responsibility," Speaker, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA), Hawaii Local Conference, October 2007
- "The False Claims Act (FCA) From A Compliance Perspective: A Case Study," Speaker, American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA) & Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) Fraud & Compliance Forum, Baltimore, MD, September 2007
- "Governmental Investigations & Federal Rule Of Evidence 408: the New Frontier In The Government's Use Of Settlement Conduct & Statements In Parallel Criminal Prosecutions," Speaker, Lorman Education Services Teleconference, August 2007
- "The False Claims Act (FCA) & Health Care Fraud," Speaker, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) 11th Anniversary Compliance Institute, Chicago, IL, April 2007
- "Medical Identity Theft: The Future Of Health Care Fraud Is Now," Speaker, The 14th National HIPAA Summit, Washington, D.C., March 2007
- "Health Care Fraud & The False Claims Act (FCA): A Case Study," Speaker, American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA) & Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) Fraud & Compliance Forum, Baltimore, MD, September 2006
- "The False Claims Act (FCA) & Health Care Compliance," Speaker, Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) 10th Anniversary Compliance Institute, Las Vegas, NV, April 2006

Court Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

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- "The Business Of Health Care Compliance From A Risk Management Perspective," Speaker, The Florida Medical Director's Association (FMDA) Annual Conference, October 2005
- "Trial Objections: The Way To Trial Advocacy," Speaker, Civil Trial Advocacy, United States Department of Justice's Attorney General's National Advocacy Center (NAC), June 2005
- "Opening Statements," Speaker, Civil Trial Advocacy, United States Department of Justice's Attorney General's National Advocacy Center (NAC), February 2005
- "Health Care Fraud & The False Claims Act (FCA)," Speaker, United States Attorney's Eighth Annual Health Care Fraud Conference, Middle District of Florida, November 2004
- "United States Sentencing Guidelines," Speaker, United States Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida and Federal Bureau of Investigation Training Conference, 1998

Publications

- "Step Up Ethical Vigilance to Fix Public Corruption," Guest Columnist, Orlando Sentinel, Feb 2010
- "Unwanted Exposure (Risk Management)," Contributing Author, Brief Advice, InsideCounsel's Counsel to Counsel Martindale-Hubbell, Sept.-Oct. 2009
- "**The Importance of Evaluating Intent (in Internal Investigations)**," Author, InsideCounsel's Counsel to Counsel Martindale-Hubbell, November 2008
- "**Seven Skills of Highly Effective Legal Counsel In Conducting Internal Investigations**," Author, Fowler White Boggs Banker P.A., September 2008
- "**Internal Investigations: A Basic Framework For The Compliance Professional**," Co-Author, *Compliance & Ethics Magazine*, Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE) Vol. 5, No. 4, August 2008
- "**What CEOs Should Know About White Collar Crime**," Author, Exec Blueprints, 2008
- "Developing an Effective and Ethical Approach," Author, *Inside the Minds, White Collar Law Defense Strategies, Leading Lawyers on Preparing for Trial, Offering Evidence, and Overcoming the Challenges of a White Collar Crime Case*, Aspatore Publishing, 2007
- "**Medical Identity Theft: The Future Threat of Health Care Fraud is Now**," Author, *Journal Of Health Care Compliance*, January-February 2007
- "**Trial Objections: The Way of Advocacy**," Author, *Suffolk Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy*, Vol. XI, 2006
- "**Business Issues and Compliance Issues Are Inextricably Interrelated**," Author, *Journal of Health Care Compliance*, July-August 2005
- "**Leadership In Trial Advocacy: Credibility One Cornerstone Of Effective Trial Advocacy**," Author, 28:3 *American Journal of Trial Advocacy*, 2005

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association: White Collar Crime Committee, Criminal Justice Section, Health Law Section, Litigation Section
- American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA)
- Federal Bar Association: Board of Directors, Tampa Bay Chapter, 2000, 2007-2009; Planning Committee, White Collar Crime Institute, 2008
- Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (FACD)
- The Florida Bar: Health Law Section; Trial Lawyers Section
- Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA)
- Herbert Goldberg American Criminal Law Inn of Court: Barrister
- Hillsborough County Bar Association: Trial Lawyers Section; Health Law Section; Criminal Justice Section
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL)
- Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics (SCCE)

Community Involvement

- Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Gulf Ridge Council: Staff, Wood Badge SR 951; Wood Badge SR 892; Merit Badge

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Counselor, Law, Citizenship (Community, Nation, World); Trainer, Timucua District; Pack 61 Charter Org. Rep.; Pack 61 Den Leader, 2006 - Present

- Brandon '86 Rotary Club: Honorary member; Immediate Past President, 2007-2008; President, 2006-2007; Club of the Year, District 6890 Group IV; Vice-President, 2005-2006; Rotarian of the Year, 2005-2006; Board of Directors, 2004-2008; Chair, Rotary's Camp Florida Committee, 2002-2004
- Brandon Family Y.M.C.A.: Board of Directors, 2003-2004; Co-Chair, Major Gifts, YMCA Annual Giving Campaign, 2004
- Emergency Care Help Organization (ECHO): Chair, Executive Committee, 2005; President, 2004; Vice-President, 2003, Chair, By-Laws Committee, 2002; Board of Directors, 2001-2005
- Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce: Government Affairs Advisory Council; Board of Directors, Leadership Brandon Alumni Association, 2003; Planning Committee, Leadership Brandon Class of 2004; Chair, Government Day; Steering Committee, Leadership Brandon Class of 2003; Leadership Brandon Class of 2002
- Rotary International, District 6890: Chair, The Rotary Foundation (TRF) (2009–2012); The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Permanent Fund, Major Gifts Chair, 2008-2009; Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Discussion Leader
- Tampa Rotary Club: Active Member; Secretary 2009-2010; The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Committee

Distinctions

Adjunct Professor of Trial Advocacy, Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, FL, 2003-2006

Adjunct Professor of the Year, Stetson University College of Law, 2005; Calvin A. Kuenzel Student Bar Association, 2005

Certified Compliance & Ethics Professional (CCEP), Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics (SCCE)

Certified in Healthcare Compliance (CHC), Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA)

Commendation, Federal Bureau of Investigation (U.S. v. Legette), 1998

Commendation, United States Fish & Wildlife Service (U.S. v. Mowbray), 1997

Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend Magazine*, 2008, 2009; ranked in the top 2% of practicing Florida Bar Members

Florida Super Lawyers, 2009

Inspector General's Integrity Award, United States Department of Health & Human Services, Office of Inspector General (HHS-OIG), 2005

Leadership Tampa, Class of 2009

Million Dollar Advocates Forum (U.S. v. Jose Arevalo)

Special Achievement Award, In re: Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan Association, OIC Whitewater and Monica Lewinsky, 2001

Special Act Award, United States Attorneys Office, 1999

Special Act & Achievement Award, United States Attorneys Office (U.S. v. Gale), 1997

Special Achievement Award, United States Secret Service (U.S. v. Snyder), 1998

Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee "F"; 2002–2005; Vice-Chair, 2004–2005

Trial Advocacy Instructor; Attorney General's National Advocacy Center (NAC), United States Department of Justice, Columbia, SC, 2004-2005

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Trial Advocacy Instructor; National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA); Florida Regional Trial Program, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 2006-2007

Walter Mann Award, Stetson University College of Law; Graduating Class of 1992 award for demonstrating the greatest promise of becoming an outstanding leader in the legal profession