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Areas of Focus

Communications, Internet,
and Technology

Investigations, Compliance,
and Defense

Monitorship Practice



Overview

As Co-Chair of the firm’s Monitorship Practice, Matt Cipolla leads monitorships and complex cross-border investigations. He advises organizations on their compliance programs and how they can address past misconduct and prevent it from happening in the future.

Matt currently serves as co-monitor of the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), appointed by the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of New York and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. In that role, he works to ensure that NYCHA provides housing for hundreds of thousands of residents that meets the requirements of federal law. Matt also serves as the Deputy Ombudsperson overseeing Credit Suisse AG’s examination of historical banking services provided to Nazis. Matt previously served as a senior leader on the monitorship of Glencore Ltd. related to its violation of U.S. commodities laws and the monitorship of Credit Suisse AG related to its facilitation of tax evasion.

In his monitorship work, Matt helps government agencies ensure that companies that have engaged in misconduct have fully rooted it out and are equipped with the necessary tools to prevent it from recurring. He is a thought leader in monitorships and compliance counseling, including authoring a chapter in the Guide to Monitorships concerning how to effect cultural change in organizations.

Matt’s experience also allows him to successfully defend companies and individuals in internal or government-facing investigations and protect their interests. Many of these investigations are cross-border in nature, and Matt has experience working across continents and navigating the challenges posed by data protection laws, blocking statutes, and differences in due process requirements across jurisdictions. Matt is aware that his clients are often facing enormous stress and pressure. He draws on his years of experience to confidently guide them through key

decision points toward effective and efficient solutions. He acts thoughtfully, strategically and with an eye on the long game to enable them to make quick but considered decisions.



In my line of work, credibility and integrity are essential. My clients and government regulators alike trust that my work will uncover any wrongdoing and that I will find comprehensive and practical solutions to address it.”

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Credentials

Admissions

- New York, 2008

Education

- Harvard Law School, JD, *cum laude*, 2007
- Columbia College, Columbia University, BA, *magna cum laude*, 2004

Court Admissions

- US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 2011
- US District Court, Eastern District of New York, 2008
- US District Court, Southern District of New York, 2008

Service / Recognition

Awards

- Jenner & Block, Mentorship Award, 2023
- Crains New York Business, Notable LGBTQ Leader, 2023
- *Who's Who Legal*, Future Leader: Investigations, 2021
- *Global Investigations Review*, 40 Under 40, 2020
- *New York Law Journal*, Rising Star, 2016

- National LGBT Bar Association, Best LGBT Lawyer Under 40, 2016
- Albert E. Jenner Pro Bono Award, 2013