

JAMES J. MCGUIRE

Partner



For over 30 years, Jim McGuire has had a diverse and complex civil and criminal litigation practice with three main areas of concentration. He has successfully tried some 30 cases to verdict and argued some 25 appellate matters before federal and state tribunals.

The first major area of concentration is complex civil litigation. Jim has long represented major corporations, financial institutions, and individuals both as plaintiffs and defendants in a wide variety of cases in federal and state courts across the country. Those cases have spanned a multitude of subject matter areas, including securities fraud, accounting fraud, common law fraud, banking, RICO, contract, employment, copyright and trademark infringement, trade secrets, defamation, product liability, partnership, and conversion, among others.

The second area of concentration in Jim's practice is white collar criminal and regulatory proceedings. As a former federal prosecutor, Jim has represented over 100 entities and individuals under some form or threat of government investigation. The subject matters of those representations have extended across the gamut of federal and state laws, including securities fraud, mail, wire, and bank fraud, tax violations, money laundering, embezzlement, antitrust, bribery, habeas corpus, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, extradition, and various crimes against the person. Consequently, Jim has regularly and successfully interacted with federal and state prosecutors and governmental agencies. In a similar vein, Jim has conducted numerous internal investigations for corporate clients of diverse size and focus and advised sundry firms on their in-house compliance, audit, and crime prevention activities.

Jim's third major area of focus is international (as well as domestic) arbitration. He has been active in such matters under the auspices of the American Arbitration Association, International Centre for Dispute Resolution, International Chamber of Commerce, and London Court of International Arbitration, among other bodies. Jim has represented both claimants and respondents in such proceedings, the vast majority of which have raised complicated financial and contractual issues.

Prior to joining Barton, Jim served, among other positions, as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York in its Criminal Division, a Partner of White & Case, and the Founding and Managing Partner of the New York office of the London-based firm Mishcon de Reya.

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Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, *cum laude*, 1982

LL.M., London School of Economics and Political Science, 1979, (Rhodes Scholar)

Honours B.A., New College, University of Oxford, 1978, M.A., 1983, (Rhodes Scholar)

B.A., Yale College, *cum laude* with distinction, 1976

Bar & Court Admissions

State of New York, 1984

U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, District of Colorado

U.S. Courts of Appeals for the First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth Circuits

Practice Areas

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Commercial Litigation

International Arbitration

Internal Investigations

Trials

Appellate Advocacy

White Collar Defense

Industry Experience

Accounting

Automotive

Airline

Banking (including Islamic Banking)

Financial Institutions

Hospitality

Insurance

Real Estate

Retail

Telecommunications