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Practice Capabilities

Special Matters & Government Investigations

False Claims Act, Qui Tam & Whistleblower Investigations State Attorneys General

Independent Investigations Internal Investigations Congressional Investigations

Crisis Management Cross-Border Disputes & Investigations

FCPA & Anti-Corruption Securities Enforcement & Regulation

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- Conducted high-stakes internal investigations for major financial services and healthcare companies involving the federal securities and commodities laws, broker-dealer and investment advisor regulations, and healthcare laws and regulations.
- Represented a multinational financial services company in parallel investigations by federal and state regulators relating to its RMBS practices.
- Represented a sitting Governor in a criminal investigation concerning allegations of official misconduct.
- Represented a key figure in the “Bridgegate” matter in parallel investigations by the New Jersey Legislative Select Committee on Investigations and the Department of Justice.
- Represented high-level executives of global financial institutions in multinational investigations into the possible manipulation of key financial benchmarks, including LIBOR, EURIBOR and ISDAfix.
- Represented a senior health care executive in parallel investigations concerning alleged violations of federal and state False Claims Act and Anti-Kickback Statutes.
- Represented a former Dewey & Leboeuf employee in the New York County District Attorney’s Office’s investigation of the downfall of the firm, successfully obtaining immunity for the client.
- Represented multiple traders and sales personnel in investigations by the DOJ and SEC into the RMBS and CMBS trading practices.
- Conducted an internal investigation and represented a health care provider in parallel investigations concerning federal and state False Claims Act violations.
- Conducted an internal investigation on behalf of the Special Committee of an international corporation concerning potential financial improprieties resulting in a restatement, violations of the of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and potential insider trading by a key employee, and represented the Committee in resulting parallel investigations by the DOJ and SEC.
- Represented a worldwide financial services provider in an internal investigation of potential violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and OFAC regulations by an employee who attempted to broker deals with the Iranian government.
- Defended a registered investment advisor from the most serious fraud allegations being investigated by the SEC and CFTC stemming from its valuation of Level III

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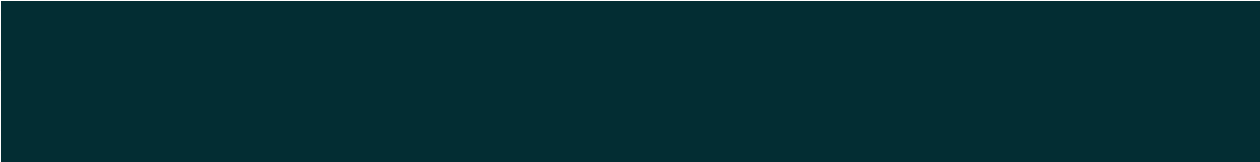
Bio

Former U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito is a partner in King & Spalding's Special Matters & Government Investigations practice. Craig's experience heading one of the nation's largest U.S. Attorney's Offices, co-chairing the litigation department of an AmLaw 50 law firm and as an SEC enforcement attorney helps him solve his clients' most complex and sensitive problems. Bringing over two decades of experience as a litigator in private and public practice, Craig has a proven track record of success in counseling financial services and healthcare clients through government investigations and high-stakes litigation.

Immediately prior to joining King & Spalding, Craig served as the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, directing all federal criminal and civil matters in the state of New Jersey. As U.S. Attorney, Craig made significant organizational changes, including creating the nation's first standalone opioid enforcement unit and the District's first cybercrimes unit. Craig also expanded the number of federal prosecutors in New Jersey addressing healthcare, government fraud and civil rights investigations and prosecutions. In August 2018, working with DOJ's Fraud Section, he announced the formation of the first Medicare Strike Force in New Jersey.

During his tenure as U.S. Attorney, Craig was personally engaged on a number of investigations and prosecutions, including oversight of DOJ's Consent Decree with the Newark Police Department and significant healthcare, accounting and financial fraud

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Prior to his service as U.S. Attorney, Craig spent ten years as a partner at an AmLaw 50 law firm, where he was co-chair of the firm's litigation and trial practice group and also led its white collar, government and internal investigations team. Craig represented corporate and individual clients in domestic investigations by the DOJ, SEC, CFTC, HHS, OFAC, and IRS, as well as FINRA, BATS, ICE, CME and various states' attorneys general offices. He counseled companies and individuals in international investigations, including matters before the SEC's Office of International Affairs and the UK's Financial Conduct Authority and Serious Fraud Office. Craig also represented clients in complex civil litigations and trials in federal and state courts.

Earlier in his career, Craig served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Securities and Health Care Fraud Unit in New Jersey where he investigated and prosecuted numerous complex fraud cases, including the successful trial of Cendant Corp. CEO Walter Forbes. Craig also served as a senior counsel in the New York Regional Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Enforcement.

Recent Publication:

Co-authored a chapter in PLI's *SEC Compliance and Enforcement Answer Book on Multinational Aspects of SEC Investigations*

"Ranked as a leading lawyer in two practice areas: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations and Healthcare"

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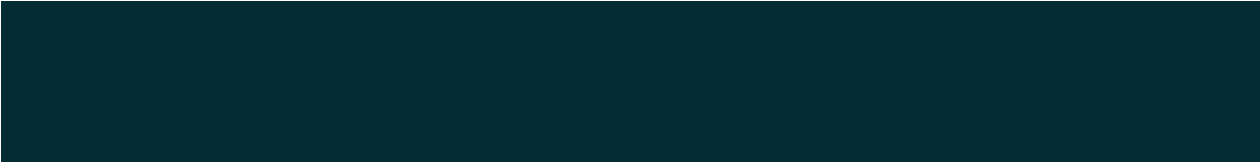
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Credentials



Education

J.D., Seton Hall University School of Law

B.A., Rider University



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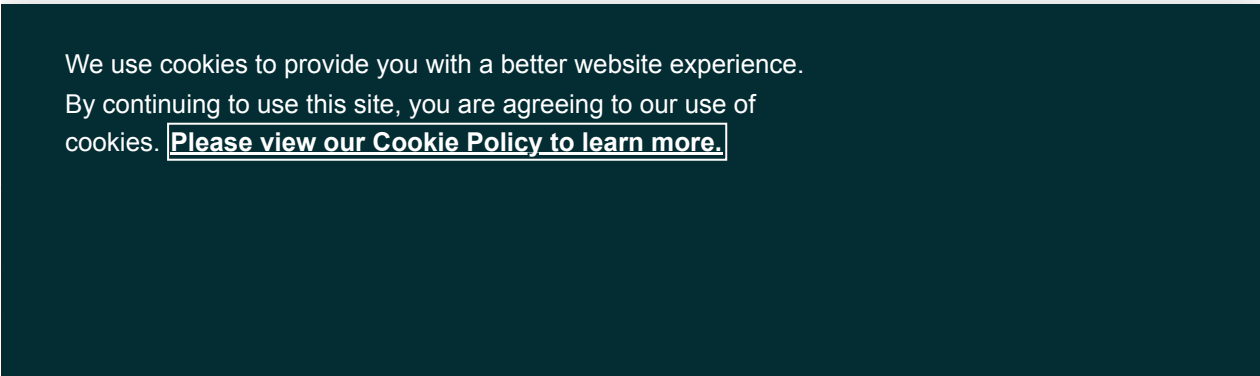
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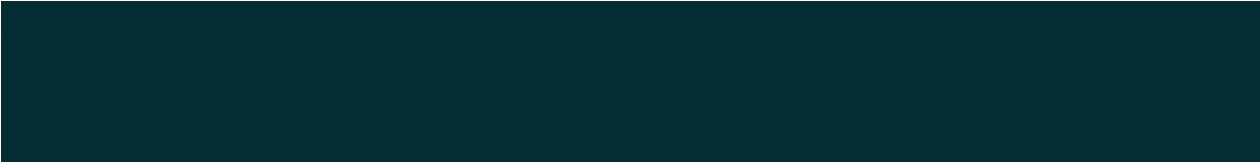
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The New York Council of Defense Lawyers (NYCDL)

The United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey Alumni Association

United States District Court for the District of New Jersey Lawyer's Advisory Committee

News

Recognition | June 4, 2026

King & Spalding Earns 230 Lawyer Rankings, 106 Practice Group Rankings in Chambers USA Guide

In the News | May 18, 2026

K&S advises Skillz on its request before a New York federal court to raise disgorgement to \$1.4B following its major jury win against Papaya in a false advertising case

Cases & Deals | April 23, 2026

King & Spalding Secures Largest Lanham Act Award for Skillz in False Advertising Dispute with Papaya Being Found Liable by Jury

In the News | April 23, 2026

K&S secures a major jury verdict and the largest Lanham Act award ever on behalf of Skillz in a false advertising dispute against Papaya, which was ordered to pay \$420M in damages and \$719M in disgorgement

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NIST Establishes AI Centers to Advance U.S. Manufacturing Productivity and Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity

Article | January 9, 2026

Leveraging the False Claims Act to Target Corporate DEI Programs

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Events

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November 4, 2025

Pharmaceutical University 2025

Conference

September 4, 2025

18th Annual King & Spalding Medical Device Summit

Speaking Engagement

June 21, 2024

Craig Carpenito to Speak at The Federalist Society 2024 Third Circuit Chapters Conference

Speaking Engagement

May 17, 2024

Craig Carpenito, Adam Baker and Kristen Fournier to Speak at the New Jersey State Bar Association Annual Meeting and Convention

Conference

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