

Santosh Aravind

Santosh Aravind, a former federal prosecutor, is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer who represents individuals and companies in white-collar criminal investigations, regulatory enforcement proceedings, cyber security matters, and complex commercial litigation. Santosh has represented individuals and companies in proceedings before the Securities and Exchange Commission, the United States Department of Justice, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, and state agencies in Texas. He has chaired or co-chaired ten trials, including nine as a former federal prosecutor, and has briefed and argued numerous appeals before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Santosh's practice also includes representing oil and gas companies, start-up technology companies, and individuals involved in business disputes.

Prior to joining the firm in January 2015, Santosh served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for over five years. While a federal prosecutor, Santosh investigated and prosecuted a variety of offenses including securities, bank, and tax fraud, murder, racketeering, weapons and international narcotics trafficking, international money laundering, public corruption, and organized crime.

From 2005 to 2009, Santosh was an associate in the litigation department in the New York office of Latham & Watkins, LLP. At Latham, Santosh represented individuals and defendants in securities and complex commercial litigation and government investigations, including a former CEO against allegations of stock option backdating, an investment bank against allegations involving residential mortgage-backed securities, and an investment bank in securities litigation related to derivative warrants.

After graduating from Yale University and the University of Michigan Law School, Santosh served as a law clerk for the



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Honorable Julian Abele Cook, Jr., United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan from 2003 to 2005.

Recent notable experience includes representing:

a real estate developer in an SEC investigation relating to alleged Securities Act and Exchange Act violations by developer's business partner.

a student loan company in an investigation by the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office arising from the company's origination of loans for students attending a technical college.

a former CFO of an import company in a grand jury investigation by the United States Attorney's Office for the District of South Carolina involving claims of evading anti-dumping duties.

a former mayor of a Mexican city in civil forfeiture action by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas involving allegations of public corruption.

a leading national forensic laboratory in administrative proceedings before the Texas Forensic Science Commission.

a foreign hedge fund in connection with a lawsuit filed in New York state court against a financial institution in connection with billions of dollars of purchases of residential mortgage-backed securities.

a Fortune 500 oil and gas company in defending a putative class action and other royalty disputes.

a major oil and gas company in a lawsuit with a working interest owner.

a former Board of Regents member for a university in Texas in a defamation lawsuit filed by former university employee.



Bar Admissions & Activities

Admitted to the Texas State Bar and New York State Bar, the United States District Courts for the Western, Northern, Southern, and Eastern Districts of Texas, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Member, Austin Bar Association

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Founding Member and Barrister, Barbara Jordan Inns of Court

Panel Member, Western District of Texas Criminal Justice Act

Education

Yale University, B.A., cum laude, 1999

University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 2003

Member, Michigan Law Review