

Wm. Paul Lawrence, II

OF COUNSEL

Paul Lawrence serves of counsel to Waters Kraus Paul & Siegel and he offices in the Washington D.C. area. His practice focuses on whistleblower litigation, including qui tam cases under state and federal false claims acts and whistleblower claims under the SEC, CFTC, and IRS programs. Recent qui tam whistleblower successes for Paul have included cases involving fraud by retail pharmacy chains, nursing homes, and therapy providers.

Paul understands the risks that whistleblowers take by coming forward and is a tireless advocate for their rights, protecting client anonymity to the greatest extent possible, putting employers on notice of the law's protections for whistleblowers when their identity must be revealed, and demanding nothing less than full compensation when employers retaliate.

Paul is a graduate of the Louisiana State University, where he earned both his bachelor's and Juris Doctor degrees. He is licensed to practice law in Texas and Virginia.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

American Association for Justice

American Bar Association

Taxpayers Against Fraud

HONORS & AWARDS

Order of the Coif, Louisiana State University, 1976

Associate Editor, Louisiana Law Review, 1975-1976

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Hon. Albert Tate, Jr., Louisiana Supreme Court, Law Clerk, 1976-1977

PUBLICATIONS & SPEECHES

Panelist, Ethics: How to Steer Clear of Ethics Hazards, Taxpayers Against Fraud Annual Conference, Sept. 14-16, 2016

Presenter, "Banking Fraud Whistleblower Claims Under FIRREA and FIAFEA," Georgia's New 2012 False Claims Act, and Update on Qui Tam, SEC, and IRS Whistleblower Claims, March 20, 2013

Co-Author, "When Money Trumps Trust," TRIAL, American Association for Justice, formerly Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA®), August 2012

Panelist, Is the Government Making the Most Out of Whistleblower Statutes? Whistleblower Assembly 2011: Whistleblower Statutes, Government Accountability Project, September 19, 2011

Presenter, Taxpayers Against Fraud Annual Conference, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2016

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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Appellate

International

Class Action

Qui Tam

BAR ADMISSIONS

Louisiana (inactive and in good standing), 1976

Washington (inactive and in good standing), 1997

Texas, 1998

Virginia, 2012

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, 1976

U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana, 1977

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana, 1995

U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington, 1997

U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, 1998

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EDITORIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Nursing Home Chain Settles Medicare Fraud Allegations for \$10M

DOJ: Qui Tam Lawsuit Results in Half Million Dollar Settlement

\$3.5M Settlement in Walgreens Healthcare Fraud Case

Whistleblower Leads to \$12.5M Medical Device Fraud Settlement

Lifetrade Investors Sue S&P, Wells Fargo for \$686M (pdf)

Whistleblower Case Against Walgreens Results in \$9.9 Million Settlement

Whistleblower Case Against BTG Results in \$36M Settlement

Waters Kraus Paul & Siegel Announces Addition of Three New Partners for 2014

Cobb EMC Will Pay \$98 Million to Settle Claims (pdf)

Government Contract Underbidding May Lead to False Claims Act Liability (pdf)

When Money Trumps Trust

Whistleblower Cases Involving Securities & Financial Fraud



BAR ADMISSIONS - CONITNUED

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, 2001

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia, 2012

U.S. District Court, Western District of Virginia, 2012

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, 2017

U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit, 1976

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit, 1997

U.S. Court of Appeals, 4th Circuit, 2012

U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit, 2014

U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit, 2015

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 1999

U.S. Supreme Court, 1997

EDUCATION

Paul M. Hebert Law Center,
Louisiana State University, J.D.,
1976

Louisiana State University,
B.A., 1973

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