

Winston Y. Chan Speaks with Daily Journal After Being Named a Top White-Collar Lawyer for 2025

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In an interview with the [Daily Journal](#) [PDF] after being named one of its Top White-Collar Lawyers for 2025, partner Winston Y. Chan discussed leading the defense team for a technology company involved in three concurrent investigations by the U.S. Department of Justice, Securities and Exchange Commission, and California Attorney General. Each agency investigated different theories of whether the company misrepresented cybersecurity events and weaknesses to customers and investors. The team faced extensive and competing document, information, and interview requests from all three agencies.

"These were open-ended investigations in search of a whisper of a problem," Winston said.

Earlier this year, all three agencies closed their investigations without taking action against the company.

Winston is Co-Chair of both our global White Collar Defense and Investigations Practice Group and our False Claims Act/Qui Tam Defense Practice Group. He noted several changes in False Claims Act enforcement under the Trump administration.

"Not in my entire career working on FCA cases have I seen so many novel applications of the statute being pursued all at once, in such a public way, with top-down pronouncements designed to motivate DOJ staff as well as putative whistleblowers and their counsel," Winston said.

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