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■ **What was the biggest challenge you faced in the past year and how did you adjust to it?** A significant challenge was navigating an increasingly aggressive enforcement landscape from the Department of Justice and the civil enforcement agencies. Our investigations and enforcement defense teams advocate aggressively and creatively for clients, and the current enforcement

climate was challenging. Having credibility with regulators and a team with deep government experience and subject-matter experience was critical to our success for clients.

■ **What is a significant case you have handled in**

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the past year and how did it stand out? We represented Ericsson in successfully negotiating resolution of two breach notices of a deferred prosecution agreement with the DOJ, and we continue to represent the company in respect to its ongoing reporting obligations under the guilty plea.

■ **What makes your firm stand out in this practice area?** We have over 250 lawyers globally who regularly defend companies, senior executives, and public officials in a wide range of investigative

and enforcement matters, and more than 75 lawyers with extensive government experience. We believe there is no other firm that can match our firsthand knowledge of how government agencies conduct investigations and how to successfully defend them in the most significant crisis matters. We combine our deep experience with our unique culture, which promotes global teamwork and extraordinary collaboration to best serve clients in crisis. ■