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Education

J.D., The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, 2009 (*cum laude*; Note and Comment Editor, *The Catholic University of America Law Review*)

MSc., University of Edinburgh, Scotland, 2003

B.A., Eastern University, 2002 (*cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Government Service

Judicial Intern, Hon. Reggie B. Walton, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (May 2007 - Aug. 2007)

Judicial Intern, Hon. Stephanie Duncan-Peters, The Superior Court of the District of Columbia (Jan. 2007 - Apr. 2007)

Amanda Grier represents corporations and individuals in connection with a wide variety of criminal and civil litigation matters, particularly enforcement actions brought by the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Her practice focuses on white collar criminal defense, corporate internal investigations, and associated civil and administrative enforcement matters, primarily related to allegations of securities fraud, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act violations, False Claims Act violations, money laundering, wire fraud, financial institutions fraud and bank fraud. Ms. Grier also works with clients to create and implement effective corporate compliance programs, perform internal corporate reviews and conduct transaction diligence.

Ms. Grier has represented clients in federal and state courts, government investigations, corporate internal investigations, appeals and mediation. As a result, she has experience in the various aspects of discovery, pre-trial litigation, motions practice and trial preparation. She has particular experience in assisting multinational companies and international clients, including seeking discovery from multiple countries. Representative matters include:

- the defense of a lawsuit brought by the SEC against Herbert Steffen, a former senior executive of Siemens AG, for alleged violations of federal securities and anti-corruption laws that resulted in an early dismissal of his case by the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York;
- the defense of PokerStars in an asset-forfeiture action that alleged illegal gambling, money laundering and bank fraud;
- representing the foreign CEO of a multinational company facing criminal charges for violations of federal securities and anti-corruption laws, which resulted in the charges being dropped by the U.S. Department of Justice;
- representing a multinational bank in connection with a government investigation into its trading practices;
- the appeal of felony charges that resulted in a reversal of the client's conviction by the D.C. Court of Appeals; and
- counseling a large publicly listed multinational company conducting transaction diligence of acquiring companies to determine compliance with U.S. laws.

Ms. Grier has an active *pro bono* practice committed to the representation of indigent criminal defendants.

Speaking Engagements

Moderator, "FCPA Year in Review," D.C. Women's Bar Association, Washington D.C. (April 15, 2015)

Speaker, "Overcoming Legal Complexities During Internal Investigations for Corruption and Bribery: Data Protection and In-House Counsel Confidentiality," C5 Annual Anti-Corruption Conference, Paris (Oct. 20, 2011)