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Andrea Griswold represents leading corporations, financial institutions, asset managers and executives in high-stakes government investigations and trials. She also conducts internal investigations and has extensive experience investigating issues arising out of complex financial transactions and deals. Ms. Griswold served for 11 years in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York (SDNY), including most recently as the deputy U.S. attorney and chief counsel to the U.S. attorney, and previously as the chief of the Securities and Commodities Fraud Unit. Since returning to private practice, she has been at the forefront of some of the most closely watched cases in the country. Her recent representations include advising:

- a senior officer of a health care company in connection with SEC and DOJ investigations relating to accounting practices
- a U.S. hedge fund manager in connection with an SEC investigation of potential insider trading
- a multinational corporation in an internal investigation regarding financial irregularities and embezzlement
- an executive of a technology company in connection with SEC and DOJ investigations into accounting practices
- a U.S. broker-dealer in connection with an investigation by U.S. exchanges
- a U.S. asset manager in connection with SEC and DOJ investigations into investment adviser fraud
- an executive of an alternative asset management firm as a witness in connection with a DOJ investigation in the SDNY
- an international corporation as a witness in a DOJ criminal investigation

During her 11 years at the SDNY, Ms. Griswold held some of the Office's most senior leadership roles. As deputy U.S. attorney and chief counsel to the U.S. attorney, she oversaw the work of more than 400 prosecutors and staff, supervised every criminal and civil investigation in the district and coordinated with senior DOJ leadership and law enforcement agencies nationwide. She also managed the SDNY's media strategy and served as the final decision-maker on case recommendations. The U.S. attorney described Ms. Griswold as "a generational talent" and "a relentless investigator, a talented trial lawyer, and a strategic counselor and leader with excellent judgement" in a press release announcing her departure from the SDNY in 2024.

As chief of the Securities and Commodities Fraud Unit, Ms. Griswold supervised dozens of high-profile corporate and individual investigations, including matters involving hedge funds, private equity firms, accounting fraud, valuation disputes and market manipulation. She also personally tried a series of complex fraud cases to verdict and coordinated closely with the SEC, CFTC and FINRA, including on cross-border enforcement actions.

Additionally, Ms. Griswold founded and co-chaired the SDNY's Committee on Artificial Intelligence and Committee on Technology and Electronic Evidence. She is a frequent speaker on issues related to individual and corporate prosecutions, private funds and women in leadership.

Prior to joining the SDNY, Ms. Griswold worked for five years as a white collar litigator at a global law firm. She tried three cases to verdict during this time, including two federal criminal trials, one of which ended in a hung jury and the other with an acquittal on the top charge. The civil trial resulted in a jury verdict in favor of her client.

In recognition of her work, Ms. Griswold is ranked by *Chambers USA* and has been honored by *City & State New York* as part of its 2025 Law Power 100, in addition to being named one of *Lawdragon's* 500 Leading Lawyers in America, 500 Leading Global Litigators, 500 Leading Litigators in America and 500 Global Leaders in Crisis Management.