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Education

J.D., Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, 1998 (*cum laude*; Editor in Chief, *Law Review*)

B.A., Santa Clara University, 1995 (*cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

Colorado

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Margaret Krawiec is co-head of Skadden's Litigation Group in Washington, D.C. and co-leader of the firm's congressional investigations practice. She has represented clients in connection with U.S. Department of Justice investigations, state attorney general investigations, investigations by various congressional committees, matters before federal agencies and complex civil litigation.

Ms. Krawiec previously worked as a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Division, through the auspices of the Attorney General's Honors Program. While serving in this position, she gained substantial trial and courtroom experience representing the United States in diverse, high-profile civil cases in federal district courts throughout the country. Ms. Krawiec also served as a law clerk for the Hon. Gregory J. Hobbs, Jr. of the Colorado Supreme Court.

Ms. Krawiec's practice includes representing clients in a variety of complex civil litigation matters as both plaintiffs and defendants. She also represents clients in matters involving simultaneous criminal, civil, administrative and congressional proceedings. Ms. Krawiec has defended clients in investigations, litigation and administrative actions by the Department of Justice, the Food and Drug Administration, the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Trade Commission, the Department of Treasury and various state attorneys general. She also has advised on matters involving various congressional committees, including the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence; the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation; the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging; the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions; the U.S. House Committee on Foreign Affairs; the U.S. House Financial Services Committee; the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; and the U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Ms. Krawiec's significant litigation representations include:

- Toshiba Corporation in the successful dismissal of litigation brought in the U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina relating to claims by a putative class of ratepayers stemming from the construction and ultimate abandonment of two nuclear power units at the VC Summer nuclear power plant in South Carolina
- a Kuwaiti government contractor in defamation litigation brought in three separate state courts, resulting in the dismissal of all actions at the trial level and affirmance of one action at the appellate level
- a corporate officer in connection with litigation stemming from cybersecurity-related issues resulting in a favorable settlement
- a Chapter 7 trustee in connection with bankruptcy proceedings and other litigation stemming from a failed bank
- a multinational media corporation in connection with False Claims Act litigation arising from whistleblower allegations
- an international investment business and a major foreign financial institution in connection with defamation litigation
- a foreign financial institution in affirmative litigation stemming from cybersecurity-related issues
- a hospital in affirmative litigation stemming from a breach of contract action against a major insurance company

Ms. Krawiec's representations related to investigations by various federal agencies and congressional committees, as well as state attorney general investigations and other significant matters, include:

- a telecommunications services company in consumer protection investigations brought by the FTC and various state attorneys general related to unauthorized billing, resulting in favorable settlements
- an e-commerce company in connection with an investigation by the FTC into alleged unauthorized billing, resulting in the matter being closed without further action
- a phone billing aggregator in connection with FTC contempt charges related to the alleged violation of a prior settlement order regarding the unauthorized placement of charges on consumers' telephone bills
- a phone billing aggregator in connection with investigations by various state attorneys general into allegations of unauthorized billing, resulting in matters being closed without further action or favorable settlements
- an e-commerce company in connection with an investigation by the FTC into allegations that the company entered into a transaction to conceal or dispose of funds in light of a pending FTC investigation, resulting in the matter being closed without further action
- advice to various companies in connection with FTC investigations into alleged violations of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act for unfair advertising and marketing practice
- an international medical device manufacturer in connection with DOJ and FDA enforcement proceedings regarding manufacturing practices
- a transportation logistics company in a False Claims Act investigation related to allegations of the submission of false and inflated invoices to a federal agency
- a major stock exchange in connection with an SEC investigation and enforcement of options order handling rules
- a multinational media corporation in connection with government inquiries prompted by whistleblower allegations
- a corporate officer in connection with government and board investigations into insider trading allegations and cybersecurity-related issues
- an international bank in connection with voluntary disclosures and the resolution of administrative proceedings involving various federal agencies
- a nongovernmental organization in connection with an internal investigation stemming from whistleblower allegations
- an international bank in connection with parallel congressional and criminal investigations, as well as inquiries from the United Nations Independent Inquiry Committee, stemming from allegations of misconduct related to the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program
- a financial institution in connection with congressional and criminal investigations into a request for proposal submitted to the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corp.
- a foreign bank in responding to Senate and SEC inquiries into litigation relating to a customer's Ponzi scheme
- a financial institution in connection with a House investigation into the e-cigarette industry
- a foreign entity in connection with an investigation conducted by the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
- a title insurance company in connection with a congressional investigation into witness tampering allegations
- an e-commerce company in connection with a congressional investigation into marketing practices related to the acquisition of consumer account information
- a senior-living provider in a congressional investigation into benefits afforded to senior veterans
- an international energy drink company in a congressional investigation into its marketing and promotional practices
- a multinational networking and telecommunications equipment and services company in a congressional investigation into national security issues
- an association in connection with a congressional investigation related to the Affordable Care Act
- a U.S.-based multinational company in connection with a congressional subpoena seeking information related to offshore tax-deferred corporate earnings
- various companies in connection with reporting obligations related to the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act

In recognition of her work, Ms. Krawiec has been repeatedly honored as one of *Lawdragon*'s 500 Global Leaders in Crisis Management and 500 Leading Litigators in America and was previously included in its Lawyer Limelight feature. She was also previously named to *Global Investigations Review*'s 40 Under 40 list.

Recent Publications

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