



Whistleblower Litigation

Hagens Berman—among the largest plaintiff-side firms in the world—has decades of experience filing and prosecuting cases on behalf of whistleblowers in [False Claims Act qui tam](#) litigation, and with claims of [securities fraud](#), [commodities fraud](#) and [tax fraud](#).

Hagens Berman’s litigation experience is unsurpassed, and we have succeeded for our whistleblower clients where other lawyers have failed. We have unmatched global resources to fight for whistleblowers—unlike other firms, Hagens Berman fights daily and wins against the world’s “too big to jail” corporations.

Our firm does not represent corporate interests. We represent whistleblowers. Hagens Berman prosecutes cases in nearly every federal district and dozens of state courts. We have litigated False Claims Act cases in courts across the country. We also handle Dodd-Frank whistleblower cases on behalf of our SEC and [CFTC whistleblower clients](#) pending in nearly every Regional Enforcement office of the SEC and several CFTC Enforcement offices.

Cases brought under federal and state [False Claims Act](#) laws and under the [Dodd-Frank whistleblower programs of the SEC](#) and CFTC provide financial rewards to private citizens who properly report wrongdoing to the government.

Hagens Berman litigates False Claims Act cases on behalf of whistleblowers challenging health care fraud, defense contractor fraud, financial/banking fraud, procurement fraud, education fraud, and other fraud committed by entities that receive government funding or government insurance.

We also represent dozens of so-called Dodd-Frank whistleblowers under the SEC and CFTC programs. Unlike the vast majority of whistleblower law firms, Hagens Berman has proven expertise in the area of financial fraud, with noted experts in securities law and victories against large public companies and investment firms for securities fraud.

Hagens Berman also represents the two most prominent whistleblowers under the SEC and CFTC whistleblower programs. We take a small number of cases—ones that will beat the odds and trigger enforcement investigations.



Before you [make a decision](#) about which law firm and which lawyers you trust to best represent your interests as a whistleblower, contact our whistleblower law experts and learn [what makes Hagens Berman different](#).

Some of Hagens Berman's Recently Resolved Whistleblower Cases:

False Claims Act (*qui tam*)

- Successfully represented the first [Bank of America whistleblower](#) challenging widespread mortgage fraud through fraudulent appraisal and underwriting activity committed by Countrywide Financial Corp. in *U.S. ex rel. Lagow v. Countrywide Finan. Corp.* (E.D.N.Y.) earning our client a multimillion-dollar award in 2012 from a billion-dollar settlement.
- Successfully represented [another Bank of America whistleblower](#) challenging Bank of America's failure to provide benefits to homeowners under the Home Affordable Mortgage Program in *U.S. ex rel. Mackler v. Bank of Amer. Corp.* (E.D.N.Y.) earning our client a large award from the same billion-dollar settlement.
- Successfully represented an esteemed physician in a case challenging [unlawful conduct by pharmaceutical giant Amgen](#) Inc. in *U.S. ex rel. Horowitz v. Amgen Inc.* (W.D. Wa.) earning our client a multimillion-dollar settlement in 2012.

Dodd-Frank Whistleblower SEC/CFTC cases (only publicly disclosed cases LISTED):

- In one of the first SEC whistleblower complaints filed under the new program, our [whistleblower attorneys represented Haim Bodek](#), a leading algorithmic trading expert, in his complaint against BATS Global Inc. Hagens Berman's case resulted, in 2015, in the largest SEC fine ever imposed on a U.S. financial exchange. Mr. Bodek's work was twice reported on the front page of The Wall Street Journal.

Our firm also represents a whistleblower behind the [2018 SEC action against NYSE](#) which resulted in a record-tying fine.

[SEC Order](#) [Bloomberg Article](#)

- In the most prominent [CFTC whistleblower](#) action since the program began, Hagens Berman represented the anonymous whistleblower who identified, through analysis of market data, a previously unknown cause of the 2011 market "Flash Crash," resulting in the first arrest, Department of Justice prosecution settlement, and extradition of a foreign market manipulator in 2016.