

# **Buchalter Strengthens White Collar & Investigations Practice Group**

Buchalter recently added a number of new attorneys to round out its White Collar and Investigations Practice, including the former Acting United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, Anthony Martin, as well as Adam Sechooler and Arielle Seidman. Launched in 2020, Buchalter's White Collar and Investigations Group has quickly expanded into a robust practice, including over a dozen attorneys across the majority of the Firm's offices.

"I am thrilled to welcome Anthony, Adam, and Arielle to the Firm," said President and Chief Executive Officer, Adam Bass. "Anthony is a litigation powerhouse with an impressive government background and is a welcome addition to our Scottsdale office. Adam and Arielle bring extensive experience in high-stakes litigation disputes to Orange County. All three are incredible assets to our White Collar Group."

Martin, who was also previously the Chief Deputy Attorney General of West Virginia, focuses his practice on government investigations, state attorneys general enforcement actions, and high-stakes, multi-jurisdictional litigation. Drawing on his extensive law enforcement and multi-state litigation background, he has managed civil and criminal litigation and investigations in a range of subject matter throughout his career. Martin's diverse spectrum of experience dealing with government investigations has regularly received national attention and covered by the Associated Press, Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Reuters, CNN, Fox News, and others.

Sechooler and Seidman join Buchalter in its Orange County office. Sechooler focuses his practice on business litigation,

high-stakes disputes, and white-collar defense. Before joining Buchalter, Sechowler practiced at an elite boutique litigation firm and clerked for the Honorable John W. Holcomb in the Central District of California. Seidman, formerly of Cravath, Swaine & Moore, has represented clients in groundbreaking litigation, including the defense of Qualcomm against FTC antitrust claims and pursuing RICO and human trafficking claims against a major multinational religious organization.

These additions follow Sanjay Bhandari's joining the group this past November, based the firm's San Diego office. Bhandari, a former federal prosecutor and SEC enforcement attorney, is an experienced civil and criminal trial lawyer, focusing on government investigations, white-collar defense, and intellectual property litigation. He has conducted numerous internal investigations, created and reviewed corporate compliance programs, and defended many individuals and corporations in government investigations and enforcement proceedings.

With the addition of Martin, Buchalter has now added four former federal prosecutors to its ranks. Combining their expertise with the firm's substantial experience in defending government enforcement cases and other litigation in the financial services and health care industries, Buchalter now features one of the strongest white-collar practices in the western United States.

"Anthony, Adam, and Arielle are exactly the type of stellar talent we wanted to add to the team," said Joshua Robbins, Co-Chair of the Firm's White Collar and Investigations Practice. "Our group is putting down roots across the western region, and these attorneys will add tremendous value as we continue our expansion."