

# Hogan Lovells Adds Former UnitedHealth Litigation Chief to Litigation Practice

Hogan Lovells announce that Peter H. Walsh will join the firm as a partner in the Litigation & Arbitration practice group, co-located in the firm's Minneapolis and Denver offices.

Walsh joins Hogan Lovells from UnitedHealth Group (UHG), where he was Senior Deputy General Counsel and Chief of Litigation and Government Investigations. Before that he served as an Assistant United States Attorney in Denver.

"Peter's significant experience as a public-company executive and government official and his proven ability to provide practical solutions to clients will be an invaluable asset to the firm," said Dennis Tracey, head of Hogan Lovells' Litigation practice for the Americas. "He is a strong and versatile litigator with true leadership skills and an extraordinary track record."

During his eight-year tenure as a senior executive at UHG, a Fortune 14 international healthcare company, Walsh gained extensive crisis management and healthcare experience, the firm said in a release. He handled the most significant legal matters, including the largest stock-option backdating investigation in U.S. history, numerous congressional and government investigations and hundreds of cases ranging from regulatory enforcement proceedings to complex securities and healthcare class actions.

"Peter has earned tremendous respect in the Minnesota business community and beyond. He will be a valuable asset to our Minneapolis office and to our clients. I'm thrilled he's part of the Hogan Lovells team," said Norm Coleman, former Minnesota U.S. Senator and Of Counsel with Hogan Lovells.

As a prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Colorado in Denver, Walsh obtained convictions in a variety of high-profile securities, tax, accounting, and other economic-crimes investigations and jury trials. Throughout his career, Walsh has worked closely with numerous federal and state regulators and law enforcement agencies, from the SEC, FBI and IRS to state Attorney's General and local police.

"As a Minneapolis resident who spent nine years practicing law in Denver, Peter is well-equipped to collaborate with teams in both offices seamlessly," said Cole Finegan, Hogan Lovells' regional managing partner for the Americas as well as managing partner for the Denver Office. "His familiarity with the companies, challenges, and opportunities in both regions is truly unique."

Walsh earned his B.A. in History from Middlebury College and his J.D. from Harvard Law School. He began his legal career in 1997 at Hogan & Hartson, which later became Hogan Lovells.

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