Katz, Marshall & Banks Partner Co-Authors Whistleblower Law Practitioners Guide

Lisa J. Banks, co-founding partner of **Katz, Marshall & Banks, LLP**, is co-author of the recently released book "Whistleblower Law: A Practitioner's Guide."

Available in eBook and print formats from its publisher, ALM's Law Journal Press, the book is a practical, comprehensive guide to rapidly evolving whistleblower law and the numerous and often complex issues facing practitioners today from both sides of the whistleblower bar, the firm said in a release. Banks, along with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP Partner Jason Schwartz, have written a balanced view of the law useful to both whistleblower advocates and defense counsel alike.

The book's topics include:

• Major legislation, including the False Claims Act of 1863, the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, and The Dodd-Frank Act;

• Whistleblower protection for employees across a broad spectrum of industries, including the nuclear and environmental, consumer and investor, and transportation fields;

• Survey of state whistleblower laws in the 50 states and the District of Columbia;

• Whistleblower incentive programs, including those from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), and Internal Revenue Service;

• Unique challenges faced by whistleblowing attorneys and compliance officers; and

• Employer considerations, including preventative measures, investigations, disclosures, privilege and settlements.

In her review of the book, Danielle Brian, Executive Director of the Project on Government Oversight, said: “As a federal government watchdog, I often work with corporate and government insiders with first-hand knowledge of matters vital to the public interest. Whistleblowers are the first and best line of defense against waste, corruption, and other misconduct by the government and its contractors. This book is simply without equal as a comprehensive, non-biased guide to the current landscape of federal and state whistleblower law.”

Roel Campos, former Commissioner of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and current Chair of the Securities Enforcement Practice at Hughes Hubbard & Reed added: “Lisa Banks and Jason Schwartz have given lawyers an excellent resource for navigating the growing maze of whistleblower laws that impact on nearly every practice area today. For attorneys involved in the heavily regulated financial markets, where whistleblowers are playing in increasing role, the authors not only equip practitioners with an in-depth knowledge of statutes and case law, but they also provide insightful practice tips for that can help both sides of the bar counsel their clients on the handling of whistleblower issues as they arise and unfold. This fresh look at whistleblower law and practice is a go-to resource for in-house counsel, compliance officers and whistleblowers alike.”