

White-Collar Prosecutor With Extensive Experience in Healthcare Fraud Joins Davis Wright Tremaine in Los Angeles, Augmenting its Growing Team in California

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP announced today it has added former Assistant United States Attorney Alexander F. Porter as a partner in the firm's white-collar, investigations, and government controversies group. With extensive trial experience, including more than eight years as a federal prosecutor, he brings significant depth to the firm's financial services and healthcare groups, particularly in connection with healthcare fraud investigations. He is the firm's fifth California addition with extensive healthcare experience in the past year.

Porter most recently served as a senior prosecutor in the Major Frauds Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. During his tenure as an AUSA, he prosecuted a broad range of white-collar criminal cases and developed extensive experience leading parallel criminal and civil government investigations involving healthcare and securities fraud matters. Porter was appointed the health care fraud coordinator for the Central District of California in 2017. In that capacity, he coordinated healthcare fraud law enforcement activities with federal and state agencies, including the FBI and the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services within the country's most populous federal judicial district, covering most of Southern California, including Los Angeles and Orange counties. Porter

also served as acting deputy chief for the Major Frauds Section. Previously, he worked as a trial attorney within the U.S. Department of Justice's Fraud Section, where he served as a member of the Health Care Fraud Strike Force and prosecuted violations of the federal Anti-Kickback Statute and other healthcare offenses.

During his time in government, Porter tried seven white-collar federal jury trials and handled multiple appeals in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Previously, he practiced as a litigation associate at Irell & Manella LLP in Los Angeles, focusing on white-collar criminal defense and securities litigation. There he represented corporations and executives in complex civil litigation and government investigations, including the former CEO of a Fortune 100 company in defense of multiple shareholder class action securities lawsuits and an SEC enforcement action. He joined Irell & Manella following a federal clerkship in the Central District of California. Porter received his undergraduate degree from the University of San Francisco, summa cum laude, and his law degree from the University of Southern California.