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Colin is a former federal prosecutor and experienced trial attorney. Colin represents corporate and individual clients in complex criminal and civil government enforcement actions, internal investigations, regulatory enforcement actions, and administrative proceedings.

### Representative Matters

- Represented an executive of a nonprofit organization in a Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) investigation.
- Served as outside counsel to a sports-industry private equity firm.
- Represented youth sports company in transaction with private equity firm.
- Tried fourteen jury and bench trials in Federal and local courts.
- Served as lead prosecutor through every phase of criminal litigation in hundreds of cases.
- Negotiated favorable settlement in government investigation and *qui tam* suit alleging False Claims Act violations.
- Conducted internal investigation in response to Inspector General's allegation of bid-rigging.
- Conducted internal investigation of government contractor for violation of procurement regulations.
- Represented executive of company in Suspension and Debarment proceedings relating to violations of the Small Business Agency's rules.
- Represented government contractor in civil litigation in contract dispute with a subcontractor that resulted in a favorable

### Practice Areas

White Collar Defense & Government Investigations

### Credentials

#### Education

J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law; *Order of the Coif*  
B.A., Brown University

#### Law Journals

Notes and Comments Editor, *Maryland Law Review*

#### Bar and Court Memberships

District of Columbia Bar  
Maryland Bar  
U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland

#### Certifications

Legal Lean Sigma Institute (LLSI) White Belt

outcome.

- Counseled a sports and media holding company in compliance, governance, and transactional matters.
- Secured favorable jury verdict as lead counsel to a pro bono client in a landlord-tenant matter certified to the Civil Division of D.C. Superior Court.

## Professional Experience

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- Senior Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Columbia (2019-2024)
- Associate, Wiley Rein LLP (2016-2019)
- Judicial Intern, Honorable Richard D. Bennett, U.S. District Court, District of Maryland (2014)
- Legal Extern, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Maryland (2014)
- Judicial Intern, Honorable Richard J. Leon, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia (2014)
- Tight End, National Football League (2009-2013)
  - Atlanta Falcons (2013)
  - Jacksonville Jaguars (2011-2012)
  - San Francisco 49ers (2010-2011)
  - Cleveland Browns (2009)
  - Indianapolis Colts (2009-2010)

## Affiliations

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- Assistant United States Attorneys Association for D.C. (AUSAADC)

## Recognitions

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- Two Special Achievements Award from the United States Attorney's Office in 2023
- Special Act Award from the United States Attorney's Office in 2020