

# Proskauer Expands Litigation Practice with Addition of Richard Westling in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C.

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Richard Continues Global Litigation Buildout Enhancing the Firm's Capabilities Across

Health Care Litigation

**LOS ANGELES, August 11, 2025** - Proskauer is pleased to welcome partner <u>Richard</u>
Westling to its Litigation Department and Health Care Group in the Los Angeles and
Washington D.C. offices. Richard continues the strategic expansion of the Firm's litigation footprint both in Los Angeles and firmwide.

Richard regularly advises providers and executives in complex regulatory matters and enforcement actions involving the DOJ, HHS-OIG and CMS. He also defends corporate clients against health care fraud allegations and False Claims Act (FCA) matters, including *qui tam* litigation. He has an established track record of success defending some of the most prominent health care organizations in the world.

Richard has experience in government and private practice, in a variety of roles, including as general counsel, federal prosecutor, and criminal as well as civil defense. Richard spent over eight years at the U.S. Department of Justice, holding senior positions in New Orleans and Washington, D.C., with a focus on health care fraud, asset forfeiture and tax enforcement.

"Richard brings a combination of courtroom experience, government insight and strategic counsel that adds depth to our Health Care Litigation offering. His extensive and broad experience will be valuable to our clients and team," said Firm Chair, Tim Mungovan.

"As demand for seasoned FCA trial counsel continues to grow, Richard's deep trial experience and health care focus will bring immense value to our clients navigating complex legal and regulatory challenges," said <a href="David Manko">David Manko</a>, Chair of the Health Care Group.

"Richard's arrival also fuels the momentum we're seeing across our Litigation

Department, including growth in Los Angeles. We're thrilled to welcome him," said <u>Bart Williams</u>, Chair of the Litigation Department.

"Joining Proskauer's Litigation Department and Health Care Group is a natural next step in my career and I'm looking forward to contributing to its record of success in complex, high-stakes cases," said Richard. "The Firm's collaborative approach and strategic depth provide the ideal platform to continue my work, particularly in the health care and white-collar arenas, where clients are facing intense scrutiny and legal challenges."

He is the fifth partner to join Proskauer's global litigation department in the past year, including <u>Kevin Abikoff</u>, <u>Bryan Sillaman</u>, <u>James Kitching</u> and <u>Jonathon Egerton-Peters</u>, further reinforcing the firm's commitment to building a world-class litigation team.

### **About Proskauer**

Proskauer is where the most ambitious clients turn when the stakes are high. With more than 800 lawyers across key financial centers, we deliver practical, commercial solutions to asset managers, private equity firms, global investors, and industry-defining companies. Our integrated platform spans private capital, litigation, M&A, finance, restructuring, and beyond, bringing together the right teams to solve complex challenges and drive opportunity.

Proskauer has a full-service litigation practice with extensive trial experience in virtually every major forum across the globe. Our collaborative approach to representing defendants and plaintiffs, multinationals, middle-market and small-cap businesses, financial institutions, partnerships and individuals enables successful outcomes for our clients.

Recent successful representations include a landmark victory for Sanderson Farms in a \$7 billion broiler chicken antitrust conspiracy case; a decisive victory for Gilead Sciences, Inc. in a \$3.6 billion antitrust case; a complete defense victory for Major League Soccer in a multi-year litigation brought by the North American Soccer League alleging antitrust violations and monopoly practices; and Monsanto in a case brought by multiple plaintiffs who claimed Roundup caused their non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

\*Mr.Westling is not yet admitted in California.

#### **Related Professionals**

## Richard Westling

Partner

# Timothy W. Mungovan

Chairman of the Firm

## David Manko

Partner

#### Bart H. Williams

Partner

## Kevin Abikoff

Partner

## Bryan Sillaman

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## James Kitching

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## Jonathon Egerton-Peters

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