

Proskauer Rose LLP Expands Litigation Prowess of White-Collar Criminal Defense Practice

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May 17, 2001 (Los Angeles, CA) - Proskauer Rose LLP announced today that two prominent litigators from Manatt, Phelps & Phillips LLP, Jack DiCanio and Anthony Pacheco, have joined the firm to expand the White-Collar Criminal Defense practice. Both are former federal prosecutors. Pacheco and DiCanio specialize in white-collar criminal defense, special investigations, litigation before securities regulatory bodies, and commercial litigation.

Anthony Pacheco joined the United States Attorney's Office in 1994 and was assigned to the Criminal Division's Major Frauds Section. He specialized in investor and financial institution fraud. His trial experience ranges from prosecuting the attempted bribery of a United States Consular official in Belize to credit card fraud to narcotics and money laundering cases. He has represented brokerages, banks, corporations, talent, studios, and individuals in NASD, NYSE, NFA, AAA, JAMS, Special Master, RTD, and state and federal judicial proceedings and trials.

Jack DiCanio, who was a Deputy Chief of the General Crimes Section for the Central District, specialized in RICO and violent crime prosecutions. He began his career in the Criminal Division of the United States Attorney's Office in 1994. He co-prosecuted several high-profile cases, including a seven-month RICO case against 21 defendants. He is a recipient of the United States Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service.

Both DiCanio and Pacheco will work with Proskauer partner Richard Marmaro, who heads the West Coast White-Collar Criminal Defense practice and is currently representing Credit Suisse First Boston broker John Schmidt. Marmaro, one of the nation's top white-collar crime defense lawyers, will continue to focus on federal criminal defense matters, internal corporate investigation, securities litigations and other complex civil litigation. Marmaro's most notable cases include the defense of former Chief Executive Officer Tom Speigel of Columbia Savings & Loan on federal bank and securities charges (after a two-month jury trial, the defendant was acquitted on all 60 counts in federal court in Los Angeles); the nine-month federal criminal trial of Nancy Hoover, Mayor of Del Mar, California, who was charged as a co-conspirator in the J. David Dominelli \$200 million Ponzi scheme; the defense of the key bond salesman in the Merrill Lynch/Orange County matter; the defense of Dominique Frontieri, the representation of ICN executives, and the defense of the former Chairman and CEO of Financial News Network in a securities fraud prosecution, and the representation of Medaphis Corporation for false billing in connection with Medicare.

Martin Zohn, managing partner of Proskauer's Los Angeles office said, "Under the leadership of Richard Marmaro, our white-collar criminal defense practice continues to attract national attention. The addition of DiCanio and Pacheco enhances our position as a first choice for high profile individuals facing serious charges or accusations."

Commenting further, Marmaro said, "The number of white-collar crime cases has exploded. I'm delighted to have the litigation talent of DiCanio and Pacheco on our team."

DiCanio received his B.A. magna cum laude in 1985 from the University of Notre Dame and received his J.D. in 1988 from Boston College School of Law. He is a member of the State Bar of California and the White Collar Criminal Defense Section of the American Bar Association.

Pacheco received his B.A. in 1983 from Princeton University and received his J.D. in 1986 from the University of Michigan Law School. He is a member of the State Bar of California, the California Hispanic Corporate Council, the Mexican-American Bar Association, the American Business Trial Lawyers Association and the White Collar Criminal Defense Section of the American Bar Association. Pacheco is also a Judge Pro Tempore with the Los Angeles County Courts: Los Angeles (Central), Beverly Hills, West Los Angeles, Alhambra, and East Los Angeles (presided over civil non-jury trials, traffic infractions).