



# Conor T. McDonough

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Conor advises clients in major commercial disputes, securities class actions, cryptocurrency litigation, antitrust matters and cases involving abuse of public trust. With a strong foundation in economics, he is well positioned to address complex market structures, pricing dynamics and trading behavior.

Before joining Porter Wright, Conor managed federal cases involving fraud, racketeering and public corruption matters at two Am Law-listed firms, while advising public officials, corporate executives, broker-dealers, investment advisers and trading firms on registration and compliance, investigations and enforcement risk.

He regularly guides clients through internal and government investigations and enforcement proceedings before the DOJ, SEC, CFTC, FINRA, FBI and state regulators and has defended clients in criminal antitrust and securities fraud matters.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Counsel to former senior public official in a federal public corruption matter arising from a long-running investigation. Allegations included racketeering, bribery, and misuse of official authority.
- Conducted internal investigation for a pharmaceutical manufacturer following whistleblower allegations concerning disclosures to federal regulators related to a COVID-19 antibody product. Issues included the accuracy of prior regulatory submissions and potential exposure under federal enforcement statutes.
- Advised participant in the U.S. refined sugar industry in connection with antitrust allegations based on parallel pricing.
- Represented an individual in digital-asset litigation involving allegations arising from token promotion and decentralized governance.
- Represented a compounding pharmacy in a federal investigation involving alleged healthcare program fraud and kickback arrangements.

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## EDUCATION

Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2020 (*Northwestern University Law Review*, Associate Editor)

University of Chicago, B.A., 2017

## LANGUAGES

- Arabic (Modern Standard, Iraqi, Syrian, Lebanese, Egyptian and Jordanian)

## SERVICES

### Litigation

- Antitrust litigation
- Non-competition and trade secrets litigation
- Securities litigation

### Investigations, White Collar Defense & Shareholder Litigation

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

**PUBLICATIONS**

- DOJ signals increased use of corporate monitors,” *The National Law Review*, Volume XI, Number 360, Dec. 26, 2021

**COMMUNITY**

- Boy Scouts of America, Eagle Scout and Volunteer
- Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Adjunct Professor, 2025-present