

Santosh Aravind

Santosh Aravind, a former federal prosecutor, is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer whose areas of practice include white collar criminal defense and complex civil litigation. Santosh represents individuals and organizations in a variety of practice areas in criminal, civil, and regulatory matters and appellate litigation.

Prior to joining the firm in January 2015, Santosh served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for over five years. While a federal prosecutor, Santosh investigated and prosecuted a variety of offenses including murder, racketeering, weapons and international narcotics trafficking, international money laundering, public corruption, organized crime, and securities, bank, and tax fraud. Santosh has extensive trial experience, having tried eight jury trials and one bench trial. As an appellate advocate, Santosh has briefed and argued several appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

From 2005 to 2009, Santosh was an associate in the litigation department in the New York office of Latham & Watkins, LLP. At Latham, Santosh represented individuals and defendants in securities and complex commercial litigation and government investigations, including a former CEO against allegations of stock option backdating, an investment bank against allegations involving mortgage-backed securities, and an investment bank in securities litigation related to derivative warrants.

After graduating from the University of Michigan Law School, Santosh served as a law clerk for the Honorable Julian Abele Cook, Jr., United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan from 2003 to 2005.

Representative Matters

Representation of real estate developer in Securities and



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- Business Torts
- Civil Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Professional Malpractice Defense
- White Collar Defense and Government Investigations Group



Exchange Commission investigation relating to alleged Securities Act and Exchange Act violations by developer's business partner.

Representation of foreign hedge fund in pursuing fraud and negligent misrepresentation claims against large investment bank in connection with purchases of notes in multiple collateralized debt obligations (CDOs).

Representation of Fortune 500 oil and gas company in defending putative class action and other royalty disputes.
Representation of former mayor of a Mexican city in civil forfeiture action involving allegations of public corruption.

Bar Admissions & Activities

Admitted to the Texas and New York State Bar, the United States District Courts for the Western, Northern, Southern, and Eastern Districts of Texas, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Member, Austin Bar Association

Member, Austin Young Lawyer's Association

Member, Austin Asian American Bar Association

Member, South Asian Bar Association of Austin

Founding Member and Barrister, Barbara Jordan Inns of Court

Panel Member, Western District of Texas Criminal Justice Act

Education

Yale University, B.A., cum laude, 1999



University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 2003

Member, Michigan Law Review