

WilmerHale's Investigations Practice Ranks Second in *GIR*'s "Top 30" Inaugural Listing

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WilmerHale's investigations practice is named at the top of *Global Investigations Review*'s (*GIR*) inaugural listing of the 30 leading global investigations and compliance practices.

The *GIR 30* is the first-ever survey ranking the top 30 law firms for capabilities in cross-border government-led and internal investigations. WilmerHale was ranked second out of 30 investigations practices following a thorough examination of firms' relevant cross-border government and internal investigations and compliance work over the past two years. The final rankings were announced at the *GIR LIVE* Awards ceremony at the Conrad Hotel in New York on Thursday, September 24, 2015, with WilmerHale attorneys in attendance to accept the award.

"This is a valued recognition and tremendous compliment for our extensive work in this space," said Partner Boyd Johnson, co-chair of WilmerHale's Investigations and Criminal Litigation Practice Group. "More than 100 of our partners spanning multiple departments and practices have participated in internal and cross-border investigations over the past two years. In addition, attorneys throughout our offices worldwide dedicated more than 130,000 hours to cross-border investigations work over that period. We are proud to be recognized as a leader in this area."

The inaugural *GIR* survey evaluated firms' most noteworthy internal and cross-border investigations, achievements and developments of their investigations practice. The survey also asked firms to demonstrate its current activity level through objective data such as partner travel, compliance work, government experience and more.

WilmerHale maintains a deep pedigree in the global investigations area. The investigations work dates back to Partner Lloyd Cutler, counsel to two US Presidents, who spearheaded the development of market-leading investigations capabilities in the United States, London, Brussels, Germany and Beijing. Currently, the group's capabilities span across the full range of regulatory regimes, and across multiple disciplines from cartels, FCPA, white-collar, regulatory, and both internal investigations and defending clients in criminal, civil and administrative investigations by various government agencies.

The GIR 30 is an annual guide to the world's leading cross-border investigations practices ranking

the 30 leading firms that provide sophisticated cross-border government-led and internal investigations with an international dimension.