



## *April N. Williams*

**PARTNER**

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April Williams has significant experience representing companies and individuals in complex civil and criminal cases, and in investigations throughout the United States and abroad. She has counseled and represented clients in a wide variety of government investigations, including investigations by the US Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission. Ms. Williams has also handled sensitive internal reviews into a variety of matters, including workplace culture issues, and provides clients with strategic compliance counseling. She has represented clients at various stages of litigation, including discovery, motions practice, trial preparation and sentencing.

Ms. Williams chairs the Washington DC office's Diversity Committee and co-chairs the firm's Racial Justice Reform Initiative.

### *Pro Bono Work*

Ms. Williams maintains an active pro bono practice, which has included representing clients in immigration matters before the Ninth Circuit, guardianship issues in DC Superior Court, and criminal matters in Baltimore City Circuit Court.

### *Professional Activities*

Ms. Williams is a member of the National Bar Association and the American Bar Association. In 2017, she completed the John Payton Leadership Academy, and she completed the National Institute of Trial Advocacy's Trial Skills Program in 2016.

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### *Solutions*

Litigation

Anti-Discrimination

White Collar Defense and  
Investigations

Construction and  
Infrastructure

Government and Regulatory  
Litigation

Trials

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## Experience

Representing a multinational technology company in False Claims Act litigation.

Representing a multinational auto parts company in connection with antitrust investigations by regulators in numerous jurisdictions and in class action litigation.

Representing a criminal defendant in a racketeering conspiracy action.

Counseling an educational institution on best practices for whistleblower hotlines and subsequent investigations and internal reviews into allegations of sexual misconduct.

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## Recognition

- Recognized by *Diversity Journal* as a 2022 Woman Worth Watching in Leadership and a 2021 Black Leader Worth Watching;
- Named to DCA Live's 2020 list of Emerging Women Leaders in Law (Private Practice), which honors women in the Washington DC region who are emerging as leaders within their firms and the broader legal community;
- Named among a "new generation of DC fixers" by Law.com in 2020.

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## Credentials

### EDUCATION

JD, Howard University School  
of Law, 2008

*Dean's Fellow; President, Huver  
I. Brown Trial Advocacy Team*

BA, English, University of  
North Carolina at Chapel Hill,  
2000

### ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

North Carolina

### CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Stephan P. Mickle,  
US District Court for the  
Northern District of Florida,  
2011 - 2012