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Kelsey McGregor focuses her practice on a variety of complex, high-stakes investigations and government enforcement actions. Ms. McGregor advises companies, nonprofits and educational institutions on a range of sensitive and evolving issues, including human rights, civil rights, anti-corruption, anti-discrimination, anti-money laundering, user data practices, Title IX, and COVID-19 developments. She has robust experience conducting end-to-end internal investigations, and has guided clients through US government disclosure, public reporting, and remediation of difficult rights issues like forced and child labor, sexual misconduct, and equity analysis. She has represented clients through the life of corresponding and complex government enforcement actions, including negotiation, resolution and monitorship. Ms. McGregor is skilled in evaluating organizational compliance programs, and routinely advises clients regarding risks and regulations in the human rights space.

Ms. McGregor maintains an active pro bono practice focused on human rights. Her efforts have ranged from representing a person with lived experience in trafficking in a successful civil lawsuit against their traffickers, to representing the USC Gould School of Law International Human Rights Clinic (IHRC) in an investigation documenting the concerning impacts of anti-sex trafficking operations by US federal law enforcement. Most recently, she represented the IHRC through their monitorship of multiple criminal trials targeting human rights defenders, as part of the Clinic's partnership with the Clooney Foundation for Justice (CFJ)'s TrialWatch Initiative.

In 2022, Ms. McGregor was honored as the firm's Pickering Fellow, which she fulfilled by spending six months working as a Senior Supervising Attorney at the IHRC. While in this role, she led several student teams in their work to document atrocity crimes, advocate for justice in pre-genocidal situations, prepare and support a side event at the 2022 Assembly of States Parties for the International Criminal Court (ICC), and collaborate with partners like CFJ to conduct a trauma-informed factfinding investigation assessing potential fair trial rights violations affecting survivors of gender-based violence.

Previous Experience

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. McGregor trained in human rights and international criminal law, performing work for the Appeals Chambers of the ICC; the Special Tribunal for Lebanon; and the International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, in The Hague, The Netherlands. Ms. McGregor worked as a law clerk for the Human Rights & Special Prosecutions Section of the US Department of Justice, and for the Global Report on Trafficking in Persons Unit at the United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime in Vienna, Austria.

Ms. McGregor's pre-law public service experience includes work as a program reform consultant for the International Rescue Committee. She performed research for her Public Health graduate thesis on human trafficking while working at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

Solutions

Anti-Discrimination

Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
and Anti-Corruption

Monitorships

Cross-Border Investigations
and Compliance

Government and Regulatory
Litigation

White Collar Defense and
Investigations

Environmental, Social and
Corporate Governance (ESG)
Investigations

Recognition

- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* for government relations law (2022–2024) and white-collar criminal defense (2024).

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, University of Southern
California Law School, 2015

*Senior Submissions Editor,
Southern California Law
Review; Edward S. & Eleanor J.
Shattuck Award; Scribes Award;
WLALA Fran Kandel Public
Service Grant*

MPH, Brigham Young
University, 2012

*Federal Foreign Language &
Area Studies Fellow*

BS, Public Health, Brigham
Young University, 2010

ADMISSIONS

California