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As part of her comprehensive white collar litigation practice, trial lawyer Meredith S. Auten concentrates her practice on Civil False Claims Act (CFCA) and qui tam actions involving a range of corporate clients, including those in the pharmaceutical, health care, and defense contracting industries. She regularly defends corporations and their employees in government and regulatory agency investigations and litigation involving alleged health care fraud, government contracts fraud, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, antitrust, and business frauds. She also defends clients in complex government investigations. She has experience defending opioid investigations and litigation involving the U.S. Department of Justice, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and State Attorneys General across the country.

Ms. Auten has been involved in a number of no-charge decisions involving both Fortune 500 companies and individuals. Clients rely on her to conduct often-sensitive internal investigations on their behalf. She collaborates with her clients, helping them to develop and regularly review and update their internal compliance and ethics programs—particularly those in the health care field.

Ms. Auten publishes and lectures frequently on numerous white collar litigation topics, including issues related to internal investigations, the CFCA, and opioids. She currently serves as the national co-chair of the ABA's Criminal Justice Section White Collar Committee Qui Tam Subcommittee. She is also a former member of the Criminal Justice Appointment Panel for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and formerly served as a hearing committee member of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Ms. Auten's work in False Claims Act litigation includes having defended a number of pharmaceutical companies, hospitals, and integrated health care systems, among others; having defended major defense government contractors, aerospace manufacturers, and other suppliers of goods and services to the government; and representing numerous health care providers and government contractors in False Claims Act investigations where the government elected not to intervene or were otherwise declined without civil or criminal charges.

Ms. Auten was recognized as an Expert, White Collar Crime, by *Expert Guides*; Best of the Bar, White Collar, by the *Philadelphia Business Journal* in 2019; and as a Pennsylvania Rising Star Super Lawyer by *Law & Politics Magazine* and *Philadelphia Magazine*.

Ms. Auten received a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Pennsylvania, and her J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.