

Representative Legal Matters

William V. Roppolo

- On behalf of a global service provider, obtained a multimillion-dollar international arbitration award which included rescission of a stock purchase agreement returning a subsidiary back to its previous shareholders. The tribunal found that the former shareholders did not disclose bribes paid to public officials to win government contracts.
- Represented a global distributor of electronics in an investigation by the Bureau of Industry and Security for alleged export violations.
- Represented a Fortune 500 pharmaceutical company in an investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission into alleged FCPA violations in China.
- Represented a global food producer who allegedly violated the Packers and Stockyards Act (anti-trust based violations).
- Represented a Caribbean-based investment company in recovering assets misappropriated through fraud.
- Representing a multibillion-dollar company in parallel government investigations regarding alleged exports contrary to the Export Administration Regulations and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.
- Obtained a full acquittal for a criminal defendant charged in a 12-count indictment alleging tax fraud and conspiracy to commit tax fraud. After deliberating for less than two hours, a federal jury found William's client not guilty on all charges.
- Successfully obtained a dismissal as lead counsel in an USD 11 billion civil RICO claim against an international logistics company.
- Successfully defended a yacht salesman accused of nine counts of money laundering indictment that stemmed from an Internal Revenue Service sting operation in the Southern District of Florida. After a three-week trial, a federal jury found William's client not guilty on all charges.
- Successfully petitioned US Customs and Border Protection on behalf of a leading international freight services provider to completely rescind a large penalty for violations of 19 USC §§ 1595a(b) and 1499.
- Acted for a global freight forwarder in full-scale internal investigations related to potential violations of the FCPA and other compliance issues as part of a US Department of Justice investigation.

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- Successfully petitioned the Office of Foreign Assets Control to remove two individuals and their business from OFAC's list of Specially Designated Nationals, also known as the Clinton List.
- Part of the defense team that represented three separate multibillion dollar companies in an ongoing investigation of worksite immigration compliance and identity theft, including the defense of Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids.
- Litigated a full return of a USD 1 million currency seizure by US Customs and Border Protection on behalf of a multinational armored car company.