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PROFILE

Steve Cowen is a partner with King & Spalding's Special Matters and Government Investigations Practice, focusing on internal investigations, white collar criminal defense, civil fraud and whistleblower litigation, and corporate compliance programs.

His clients include major health care providers and suppliers, pharmaceutical companies, government contractors, manufacturers, and financial institutions. On behalf of numerous clients he has presented the results of independent internal investigations to the Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission. He also has represented clients before Federal agencies conducting suspension/debarment and exclusion reviews, and defended clients before Congressional investigating committees.

Mr. Cowen was the court-appointed U.S. Attorney in Atlanta in 1986 and has extensive Government experience as a prosecutor and civil litigator. He was First Assistant and Chief of the Criminal Division in the Atlanta U.S. Attorney's Office from 1983-1986 and Chief of the Civil Division there in 1982. Prior to that he was a trial lawyer in the U.S. Attorney's Offices for the Middle District of Florida and the District of Columbia.

Since leaving the Justice Department in 1986, Mr. Cowen's practice has focused on defense of corporations and individuals in white collar criminal investigations and civil False Claims Act cases, and internal investigations on behalf of public and private companies and their governing boards. These matters include a wide array of allegations of business misconduct, including allegations of improper billing to Government health care programs; securities, procurement and tax fraud; unlawful sales and marketing of pharmaceuticals; and violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

Mr. Cowen is a member of the State Bars of Georgia, Florida and the District of Columbia. He is a frequent lecturer on corporate investigations and criminal defense, and for a number of years was the co-chair of the Georgia Bar's annual White Collar Crime Conference and the Southeastern Health Care Fraud Institute.

A 1969 graduate with highest honors from Emory University, he received his J.D., *cum laude*, in 1972 from Harvard Law School. Mr. Cowen is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Chambers USA* as a leading white-collar criminal defense lawyer.

PRACTICES

Pharma Government Investigations
Government Investigations
Securities Enforcement and Regulation
False Claims Act / Qui Tam
Whistleblower
Health Govt Investigations
Healthcare Industry
Healthcare Litigation
Healthcare Regulatory
Healthcare Civil Litigation

EDUCATION

J.D., cum laude, Harvard University
A.B., with highest honors, Emory University

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia

NEWS & INSIGHTS

NEWS

- 19 Feb 2015* **Fifty-Nine King & Spalding Lawyers in Atlanta Named to 'Super Lawyers' List**
- 13 Jun 2014* **King & Spalding Earns 34 Practice Rankings and 125 Individual Rankings in Chambers USA 2014 Guide**
- 07 Mar 2014* **Seventy King & Spalding Lawyers in Atlanta Named to 'Super Lawyers' List**
- 28 May 2013* **King & Spalding Earns 35 Practice and 119 Lawyer Rankings in 2013 Chambers USA Guide**

13 Mar 2013 Three King & Spalding Partners Featured at White-Collar Crime Seminar

05 Mar 2013 Seventy-seven King & Spalding Lawyers Recognized in 2013 Edition of Georgia Super Lawyers Magazine

23 Aug 2012 King & Spalding Lawyers Earn 232 Listings in 2013 Best Lawyers in America Guide

07 Jun 2012 Chambers Again Counts King & Spalding as One of the Top U.S. Law Firms

27 Feb 2012 Super Lawyers Magazine Counts 84 King & Spalding Lawyers Among Georgia's Finest

05 Dec 2011 King & Spalding to Play Significant Role at Upcoming Health Care Fraud Institute

31 Aug 2011 King & Spalding Lawyers Earn 203 Listings in 2012 Best Lawyers in America Guide

13 Jun 2011 King & Spalding Earns 36 Practice Rankings and 114 Individual Lawyer Recognitions in 2011 Chambers USA Guide

28 Jan 2011 King & Spalding Earns Four Spots Among Law360 Practice Groups of the Year

21 Jan 2011 King & Spalding to Play Key Role at Atlanta White Collar Crime Seminar

13 Jan 2011 White Collar Group Of The Year: King & Spalding | *Law360*

06 Aug 2010 King & Spalding Lawyers Featured in Expert Guides | *Expert Guides*

04 Aug 2010 King & Spalding Lawyers Earn 187 Listings in 2011 Best Lawyers in America Guide

16 Mar 2010 83 at King & Spalding Recognized As 'Georgia Super Lawyers' and 35 as 'Georgia Rising Stars'

12 Jun 2009 King & Spalding Lawyers Earn 120 Spots In Chambers USA 2009 Rankings | *Chambers USA*

20 Apr 2009 13 King & Spalding Lawyers Named as Top Defense Litigators

06 Mar 2009 79 at King & Spalding Recognized As 'Georgia Super Lawyers' and 20 as 'Georgia Rising Stars'

26 Jan 2009 Healthcare Leaders Gather at the 18th Annual King & Spalding Health Law and Policy Forum

17 Sep 2008 116 King & Spalding Lawyers Named in 2009 Best Lawyers in America Guide | *Best Lawyers in America*

28 Feb 2008 Seventy King & Spalding Lawyers Named to 2008 'Georgia Super Lawyers' List | *Georgia Super Lawyers*

04 Sep 2007 102 King & Spalding Lawyers Named in 2008 Best Lawyers in America Guide | *Best Lawyers in America*

02 Apr 2007 Sixty-Nine King & Spalding Attorneys Named 2007 "Georgia Super Lawyers"

20 Mar 2007 Three King & Spalding Partners to Share Compliance Plan Expertise at Upcoming Conference

08 Dec 2006 Georgia Trend Magazine selects Twenty-Four King & Spalding Attorneys To List Of Georgia's "Legal Elite" | *Georgia Trend Magazine*

05 Sep 2006 103 King & Spalding Lawyers Selected for Best Lawyers in America | *Best Lawyers in America*

25 Jan 2006 Twenty King & Spalding Attorneys Named To List Of Georgia's "Legal Elite"

11 Aug 2005 81 King & Spalding Lawyers Selected for Best Lawyers in America | *Best Lawyers in America*

13 Jan 2005 Sixteen King & Spalding Attorneys Named To List Of Georgia's Legal Elite

PUBLICATIONS

22 May 2012 Expanding False Claims Liability In Ga. | *Law360*

15 May 2012 New Law Extends Georgia False Claims Liability to Non-Medicaid Claims

02 Jun 2010 Transmission Of Corporate Documents Between the Government and Relators During False Claims Act Investigations and Litigation

13 Jun 2007 Georgia's New State False Medicaid Claims Act

EVENTS

18 Mar 2013 22nd Annual Health Law and Policy Forum