



# BIOGRAPHY



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## PARTNER

Thomas J. Curran is a highly experienced trial attorney and counselor. He is a partner and co-chair of the White Collar and Regulatory Enforcement Practice. His practice primarily focuses on a broad range of legal matters, including white-collar criminal defense, internal integrity reviews, risk assessment and management, regulatory compliance, and general business advice and litigation.

Tom provides forward-looking advice on the general business climate, including regulatory trends and tendencies. He has many years of experience representing corporations, entities, and the people that lead them in internal investigations of sensitive matters that have entailed reassessing existing corporate policies and controls, advising senior corporate management and boards of directors in crisis and potential crisis management, and assisting corporations and entities in the navigation of governmental inquiries and evolving policies in a manner designed to assist in adapting the business model to changing regulatory environments. His clients include public companies, investment banks, broker-dealers, large private companies (including, especially, members of the construction industry), as well as individuals.

Tom assists clients in the response (including crisis management) and investigation of incidents of illicit prejudice at workplaces (including large industrial construction projects), and addressing all aspects of such improper conduct, including conducting investigations to identify the persons who engaged in the biased conduct, dealing with law enforcement and the media, and formulating remedial and preventative strategies.

In addition to his many years in private practice, Tom also enjoyed a very successful legal career in the public sector, where he served as an Assistant District Attorney, from 1995 through 2001, under Robert M. Morgenthau, the District Attorney of New York County. As an ADA with the Career Criminal/Major Offense Program, Tom successfully prosecuted hundreds of serious felony cases with special emphasis on repeat violent felony offenders and large-scale larcenies. He also served as a member of the Frauds Bureau, where he supervised a long-term special grand jury investigation into fraud in the marketing of securities, coordinating this effort with parallel investigative efforts of federal prosecutors, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and various state and local authorities. Upon leaving the Manhattan DA's Office, he was fully experienced in all phases of the investigation, prosecution, and trial of complex white collar criminal cases, including the prosecution of a large securities broker-dealer for racketeering and securities fraud.

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Tom is also professionally active within the community. He is a vice chair of the Board for Prisoners' Legal Services of New York, a member of the Board of Education for the Bronxville, New York School District, a member of the Board of the Manhattan District Attorney's Association, a member of the Character and Fitness Committee for the Supreme Court, Appellate Division (First Department), and a member of the New York City Bar Association's Dewey Metal Committee (for deserving Assistant District Attorneys in NYC). He also served in the past as a member of the New York State White Collar Crime Task Force, a member of Mayor Bloomberg's Committee on City Marshals, co-founder and co-chair of the Morgenthau Alumni Group, a member of the Faculty of the Manhattan District Attorney's Trial Advocacy Program, a member of the Catholic Lawyers' Guild, a member of the Cardinal's Committee on the Laity (Lawyers Division), the chair (2009-2012) of the New York City Bar Association Committee on Criminal Advocacy, and as counsel to the Harlem Studio for the Arts.

Tom is a regular guest commentator on legal and business matters for various media outlets, including CNBC, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times* and Bloomberg News Services.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### **ADMISSIONS:**

- State of New York
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

### **EDUCATION AND COURSES:**

- Georgetown University, B.A.
- Fordham University School of Law, J.D.

### **PRACTICE AREAS:**

- White Collar Criminal Defense
- Internal Investigations
- Construction and Infrastructure
- Securities Regulatory Litigation and Compliance
- Corporate Compliance and Integrity Counsel
- Business Litigation

### **MEMBERSHIPS:**

- Member, The Cardinal's Advisory Review Board, Archdiocese of New York
- Member, Bronxville (NY) Board of Education (Elected, 2016)
- Vice Chair, The Board of Prisoners' Legal Services of New York
- Presiding Member of the Board, Manhattan District Attorney's Association (current and former legal staff of the Manhattan DA's Office)
- Member, The Appellate Division, First Department Committee on Character & Fitness
- Member of Faculty, Manhattan District Attorney's Trial Advocacy Program

# HIGHLIGHTS **CONTINUED**

- Member, The NYC Bar Association’s Dewey Metal Committee
- Member, New York State White Collar Crime Task Force
- Co-Founder and Head, The Construction Industry Compliance and Integrity Institute
- Founder and Co-Chair, The Morgenthau Alumni Group
- Chair, NYC Bar Association’s Criminal Advocacy Committee (2010-1013)
- Member, Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg’s Committee on City Marshals (2004-2013)
- Legal commentator (focusing on civil/criminal regulation and ethics) for CNBC, Bloomberg News, CNN, CBS News, BBC World News, and Canadian Broadcasting Corp. (2001 to Present)
- Member, Cardinal’s Committee on Laity, Lawyer’s Division (2002 to Present)

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:**

- *Best Lawyers*, 2020 - 2022
- *New York-Metro Super Lawyers*, 2009 - 2022