

## MATTHEW D. CIPOLLA, Partner

*Matthew D. Cipolla is a partner in the firm's Investigations, Compliance and Defense Practice and a member of its Monitorship Practice. He specializes in high-profile investigations, monitorships and compliance counseling, representing corporations and individuals across a broad spectrum of financial crimes, including bribery and corruption, financial and trade sanctions, exchange rate rigging, and mortgage and bank fraud. He has extensive experience managing complex cross-border investigations in Asia, Europe and the Americas, navigating an array of due process and data protection laws and regulations applying to such work. He also conducts compliance risk assessments and counsels clients on improving their compliance framework and organizational culture. In 2020, Mr. Cipolla was recognized as a 'Top 40 Under 40' leading global investigations specialist by Global Investigations Review. In 2016, Mr. Cipolla was recognized by the New York Law Journal as a 'Rising Star' and by the National LGBT Bar Association as one of the 'Best 40 Under 40' in the country.*

### Representative matters include:

- Leading the investigative team of the monitorship of Credit Suisse AG following the bank's \$715 million settlement with the New York Department of Financial Services, part of a broader \$2.6 billion settlement that involved the US Department of Justice and federal regulators.
- Conducting an investigation and producing an internal report to the board of directors for General Motors Company with regard to events leading up to certain recalls stemming from faulty ignition switches, as well as representing the company in a related investigation by the US Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, culminating in the resolution of the matter through a deferred prosecution agreement.
- Representing the New Jersey Legislative Select Committee on Investigation in its investigation of the decision to close access lanes to the George Washington Bridge, and other matters (generally referred to as "Bridgegate").
- Representing individuals in connection with domestic and international criminal and regulatory investigations into the setting of foreign exchange rates.
- Representing executives of a global financial institution in connection with sanctions investigations by banking regulators, the Department of Justice, the New York Attorney General's Office and the New York County District Attorney's Office.
- Defending a global financial institution in a number of financial crisis regulatory inquiries and civil securities class actions.
- Conducting an internal investigation of a mortgage lender in connection with a Department of Justice fraud investigation.



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### PRACTICE GROUPS

Investigations, Compliance and Defense  
Litigation  
Monitorship Practice

### EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, JD, 2007; *cum laude*;  
Editor, *Harvard Journal on Legislation*

Columbia College, Columbia University, BA,  
2004; *magna cum laude*

### ADMISSIONS

New York, 2008

### COURT ADMISSIONS

US District Court, Southern District of New  
York, 2008

US District Court, Eastern District of New  
York, 2008

US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 2011

- Conducting an internal investigation of a manufacturer regarding compliance with import/export and consumer protection laws.

Mr. Cipolla maintains an active pro bono practice, which has included representing individual criminal defendants in federal and state court, including vacating a conviction on appeal in the Second Circuit for prosecutorial misconduct, obtaining a below-Guidelines sentence for a criminal defendant in the Eastern District of New York and the dismissal of all charges for an individual criminally indicted by the New York County District Attorney's Office. In 2014, he was awarded the Albert E. Jenner pro bono award for his outstanding commitment to pro bono work, and in 2010, he was recognized with a Safe Haven Award from Immigration Equality for his representation of LGBT asylum applicants.

Mr. Cipolla is a member of the firm's Hiring Committee and Paralegal Committee.

## Awards

- *Who's Who Legal*  
Future Leader: Investigations 2021
- *Global Investigations Review*  
"40 Under 40" - 2020
- *New York Law Journal*  
"Rising Star" – 2016
- National LGBT Bar Association  
"Best LGBT Lawyer Under 40" – 2016
- Albert E. Jenner Pro Bono Award – 2013

## Publications

- The Guide to Monitorships – Third Edition, May 17, 2022
- Co-Author, *Anti-Corruption Enforcement 2020 Year in Review: A Guide to the FCPA, UK Bribery Act, and International Anti-Corruption Laws*, Jenner & Block, January 15, 2021
- *The Guide to Monitorships – Second Edition*, June 2020
- *Anti-Corruption Enforcement 2019-2020: A Guide to the FCPA, UK Bribery Act and International Anti-Corruption Laws*, Jenner & Block, March 25, 2020
- Co-Author, "Changing Corporate Cultures," *The Guide to Monitorships*, June 2019
- Co-Author, "Anti-Corruption Compliance: How Effective Programs Spot Issues Early," *The National Law Journal*, April 4, 2019
- Co-Author, Client Alert, "Deputy Attorney General Rod J. Rosenstein Announces Changes to Corporate Investigation Policies Regarding Individual Involvement", December 4, 2018
- Client Alert: What's in a Name? That Which We Now Call the Justice Manual Has a Familiar, But Distinctive, Scent, October 9, 2018
- Co-Author, *Business Guide to Anti-Corruption Laws 2018 Mid-Year Update*, July 19, 2018
- Team Authors *Business Guide to Anti-Corruption Laws 2018*, January 10, 2018

- Co-Author, “Beyond Compliance: Three Tips from Recent Cases,” *New York Law Journal*, September 26, 2016
- “No Intent to Harm: Expanding Criminal Liability for Financial Crimes,” *Bloomberg BNA*, July 8, 2016
- “Increased Judicial Scrutiny of Deferred Prosecution Agreements,” *New York Law Journal*, August 20, 2013
- “Reimposing a Scienter Requirement in the Martin Act,” *New York Law Journal*, February 26, 2013

## **Speaking Engagements**

- Swiss Investigation Forum 2019, Deloitte, October 17, 2019
- “How to Succeed in Business Without Bribery: Staying on the Right Side of Anti-Corruption Laws,” ACC-New York, September 13, 2018