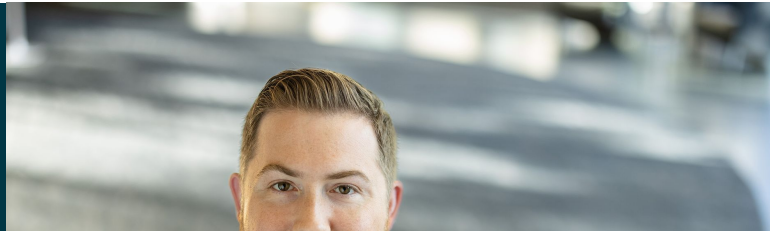


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FOCUS AREAS

FCPA and Anti-Corruption
Government Investigations
Litigation
Regulatory
Trial
White Collar Crime

HIGHLIGHTS

- Experienced Litigator**
Nick has experience in all phases of litigation, from conducting witness interviews and depositions to appearing as lead counsel in federal and state court and examining witnesses.
- Industry Expert**
Nick is an adjunct assistant professor at his alma mater, Temple University, where he teaches a course on white collar crime and government investigations.
- Thought Leadership**
Nick has published several law review articles in the areas of antitrust policy, tax law, and the attorney-client privilege.

EXPERIENCE

Nicholas (Nick) E. Hakun is an associate at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he is a member of the firm's litigation department. His practice focuses on white collar criminal defense and government and internal investigations. Nick represents individuals and companies at various stages of criminal proceedings, from investigations through indictment to sentencing. He also advises companies on compliance issues, with a focus on antitrust, competition, and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and anti-corruption matters. Nick also represents pro bono clients, including indigent criminal defendants and prisoners accused of civil rights violations.

Nick is an adjunct assistant professor at Temple University's Fox School of Business and Management. There, he teaches a course on white collar crime, government investigations, and corporate compliance to undergraduate students. He also frequently guest lectures in the school's MBA courses.

Prior to joining the firm, Nick served as a law clerk to the Honorable Timothy J. Savage, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. His career began as a litigation associate at Morgan, Lewis and Bockius LLP in Philadelphia where his practice focused on complex litigation, government investigations, and antitrust. In that role he also served, pro bono, as a Special Assistant District Attorney for Montgomery County, Pennsylvania where he conducted preliminary hearings and examined witnesses in Magisterial District Court.

During law school, Nick interned with the Fraud Section of the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security. He was also an active leader of the trial advocacy team, where he won Georgetown's annual William H. Greenhalgh trial advocacy competition and traveled across the country to participate in prestigious competitions.

Before law school, Nick worked as a high school mathematics teacher in Cleveland, Mississippi, as a member of Teach for America.

Nick is practicing virtually from Pennsylvania, where he is licensed.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 2018
Cum Laude; Researcher, Annual Review of Criminal Procedure; Senior Staff Member; The Tax Lawyer; Barristers' Council, Trial Advocacy Division, Executive Board; CALI Award Winner – Hot Topics in Antitrust; Champion, William W. Greenhalgh Trial Advocacy Tournament; Finalist, American Association of Justice Regional Trial Advocacy Competition
- B.B.A., Economics, Temple University, 2014
Summa Cum Laude; Dean's List; Recipient, Diamond Award; Alter Research Scholar

Associations and Memberships

- Member, Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- Member, Philadelphia Bar Association

Admissions

- Bar of the District of Columbia
- State Bar of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author, "Corporate Compliance Lessons From FirstEnergy Scandal," *Law360*, September 15, 2023
- "Clarifying the Kovel Conundrum," 15 *Drexel L. Rev.* 1, 2023
- Co-author, "Banks Fined \$2 Billion for Employees' 'Off-Channel' Communications—Is Your Industry at Risk?" 40(3) *The Computer & Internet Lawyer* 6-7, 2023
- "Strategic Litigation and Antitrust Petitioning Immunity," 12 *U.C. Irvine L. Rev.* 867, 2022
- "Should My Lawyer Do My Taxes? Income Tax Preparation, Accounting Services, and the Scope of the Attorney-Client Privilege," 72 *Tax Law.* 639, 2019