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Since Hank Schuelke's departure from the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia as Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney in November 1979, he has represented scores of clients—corporations and their directors, officers and employees, members of Congress, Committees of the Congress, Executive Branch officials, and law firms—as a founding partner of the Washington, D.C., boutique firm Janis, Schuelke & Wechsler.

Hank's practice has included representation of senior corporate executives in diverse criminal matters, including accounting fraud (Sundstrand Corporation, United Technologies), securities fraud (Enron), Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA") violations (Monsanto), criminal tax (Credit Suisse), environmental crimes (Koch Industries, Alcoa), criminal antitrust (Hoffman LaRoche, Philip Holtzmann, Ingersoll Rand), and healthcare fraud (Health South). Many of these matters involved parallel SEC enforcement actions.

A significant portion of Hank's practice in recent years has been the representation of the boards of directors of publicly traded companies in the course of their oversight responsibilities with respect to FCPA, healthcare fraud, and accounting irregularity investigations (Halliburton, Boston Scientific, Ingersoll Rand). This representation has included the conduct of internal investigations, the supervision on behalf of the boards of settlement negotiations with the DOJ and the SEC, the provision of advice on corporate governance issues, and the investigation into and response to shareholder derivative actions and demands.

For many years, and in diverse subject areas, Hank has conducted internal investigations on behalf of the United States Senate Ethics Committee (then-Senator Alphonse D'Amato of New York), law firms (Greenberg Traurig—the

Abramoff scandal), the United States District Court for the District of Columbia (criminal contempt investigation of the conduct of the DOJ prosecutors in *U.S. v. Senator Ted Stevens*), and has, since 1982, as counsel to the District of Columbia Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure, investigated allegations of misconduct in office by judges of the District of Columbia courts.

Hank is recognized by *Chambers USA* as a leading white collar crime and government investigations attorney, describing him as “a very confident, direct, and strong” white collar practitioner, and praised him for his “great judgment and ability to always do a superb job.” *Chambers* has also noted that “market sources enthuse that ‘he’s an absolute joy to work with’” and consider him “one of the most prominent white-collar defense lawyers in town,” and that “his peers admire him for his ‘skill, judgment and coolness under fire.’” And further states, “‘He’s someone many people in the Bar call to bounce ideas off,’ says a market insider. ‘He’s really respected by judges in Washington.’”

Admissions

- District of Columbia

Education

- Saint Peter's College, AB
- Villanova University School of Law, JD

Recognitions

- 2008–2022, Washington, D.C., “Super Lawyer” in White Collar Crimes, listed in *Super Lawyers*
- 1993–2021, Litigation: White Collar Crime and Government Investigations Law, listed in *Chambers USA*
- 2018, listed in Euromoney’s *White Collar Crime Expert Guide*
- 2020, Thought Leader in Business Crime Defense — Corporates and Business Crime Defense — Individuals, listed in *Who’s Who Legal*
- 2017–2020, listed in *Who’s Who Legal – Business Crime Defense and Investigations*
- 2019, Thought Leader in Global Investigations Review, listed in *Who’s Who Legal*
- 2017–2018, listed in Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll
- Criminal Defense: White-Collar in Washington, D.C., listed in *Best Lawyers in America*©
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers