

## Government & Corporate Investigations Case Study

### *Health Care/False Claims Act*

**SITUATION ))**

A former employee in the health care industry filed a sealed federal False Claims Act complaint alleging that Oppenheimer’s client and others had conspired to defraud the government of millions of dollars through false submissions to the Center for Medicare Services. The United States Department of Justice and a local United States Attorney launched an investigation into that complaint.

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**COUNSEL ))**

We assisted our client with an internal investigation to determine the actual facts—which were complicated by a complex, evolving, and unsettled regulatory environment. We used the results of that investigation to respond to the government’s investigation, provide a compelling explanation of the actual facts and discredit the complaint.

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**OUTCOME ))**

After an investigation spanning more than a year, the government was persuaded not to intervene in the false claims action. The person who filed the complaint then dismissed it without any settlement, payment or liability for our client. Oppenheimer’s approach of working cooperatively to inform the government’s investigation brought the matter to a successful conclusion, and helped avert media attention.

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