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DAVE JOCHNOWITZ is a partner in Outten & Golden's New York office, where he exclusively represents whistleblowers in retaliation, qui tam, and whistleblower reward matters. He is the Co-Chair of O&G's Whistleblower & Retaliation Practice Group.

Dave has over a decade of experience representing clients in high-stakes whistleblower disputes at every level of the federal courts, representing clients before trial and appellate courts and acting as part of two Supreme Court amicus teams. He is a widely respected member of the whistleblower attorney community and frequently speaks and writes about trends in whistleblower law.

Dave's clients work in a wide variety of industries both in the U.S. and abroad, including financial services, healthcare, technology, pharmaceutical, manufacturing, defense, and others. Clients value Dave's deep understanding of the legal, financial, and emotional complexities of whistleblowing coupled with his passion for protecting the public interest.

Collectively, Dave's clients have helped the federal government recover hundreds of millions of dollars in fraud judgments and settlements. They have also earned tens of millions of dollars through the SEC, CFTC, IRS, and state and federal False Claims Act whistleblower reward programs.

In addition to guiding whistleblowers through their interactions with government agencies, Dave also represents individuals in whistleblower retaliation matters, protecting and enforcing employees' right to report fraud and other violations of the law without being punished by their employer.

His representative cases include:

- Represented a physician who blew the whistle on an unlawful kickback scheme involving medically unnecessary blood tests, resulting in a \$114 million jury verdict, which was later upheld on appeal.
- Represented a hospital executive in a qui tam lawsuit that exposed the hospital's massive fraud and unlawful kickback scheme. The DOJ joined the whistleblower's lawsuit, and the case was settled for \$50 million.
- Represented a doctor in a multi-whistleblower case against various medical lab companies, resulting in \$56 million in total settlements, including a \$6 million settlement reached without government intervention.
- Reached a \$22.8 million settlement in a customs fraud case brought by a former purchasing and

logistics employee who alleged a multi-national chemical company misclassified and undervalued materials reported to U.S. Customs. The case is one of the largest customs False Claims Act settlements.

- Obtained a higher reward for an overseas whistleblower who was initially only granted 10% under the SEC whistleblower reward program.
- Brought claims by financial services industry whistleblowers against multiple Ponzi schemes worth hundreds of millions of dollars, leading to civil and criminal enforcement actions.

Prior to joining the firm in 2022, Dave represented whistleblowers and consumers at two plaintiff law firms in Washington, D.C. and New York. He also clerked in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Dave graduated from Harvard Law School in 2013 and Brooklyn College in 2007.

Dave also serves as Founder and Director of Success in Kapiri, a 501(c)(3) non-profit he founded that works to improve education access in Malawi, which he founded after serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer there from 2008 to 2010.

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