

Stephen B. Reynolds

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Overview

Stephen "Steve" Reynolds, an experienced litigator, ardently defends companies and individuals in government and internal investigations, criminal matters, and complex commercial litigation in federal and state courts. Clients benefit from his deep federal prosecutorial and investigative experience, coupled with his senior in-house experience.

For over 15 years, Steve served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of Connecticut, where he was promoted to Deputy Chief of the National Security and Major Crimes Unit. As Deputy Chief, he also served as the National Security Coordinator and the International Coordinator of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Connecticut. Throughout his time as a federal prosecutor, he gained valuable experience in grand jury proceedings, bond hearings, suppression hearings, jury selection, case negotiation and resolution, plea proceedings, sentencing proceedings, and legal research and writing. He frequently appeared in federal court, developing strong familiarity and relationships with the District of Connecticut judges and with the criminal defense bar. Steve tried nine criminal cases to verdict, and briefed and argued multiple appeals before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

While in government service, Steve also served as a Deputy Chief for Cybersecurity in the National Security Division at Main Justice in Washington, DC, where he advised on deterring malicious cyber activity and on minimizing cyber risk.

Prior to rejoining Day Pitney, Steve held senior legal and compliance roles at an American multinational managed healthcare and insurance company, where he oversaw its compliance with federal health care program requirements and a related Corporate Integrity Agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He has vital insight about corporate governance and understands how the internal operations of the business, finance, legal, compliance, litigation and internal investigations functions generally work within a large corporate enterprise.

Early in his career, Steve served as one of Judge Stefan Underhill's first law clerks with the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut, and then for Judge Alan Nevas, also in the District of Connecticut.

Practices & Industries

Data Privacy, Protection & Litigation

General Criminal Defense

Government Enforcement & White Collar Defense

Healthcare Enforcement Defense

Internal Investigations

Litigation



Education and Credentials

Education

Cornell Law School, J.D., Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy

Hamilton College, B.A.

Admissions

State of Connecticut

State of New York

U.S. District Court. District of Connecticut

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

United States Supreme Court

Affiliations

Connecticut Bar Association; Diversity and Inclusion Committee, 2015-2016, 2021-2022; Cybersecurity and Technology Committee, Co-Chair, 2019-2020; Federal Bench-Bar Conference, Co-Chair, 2015-2016

Federal Bar Council, 1999-Present

American Inns of Court, 2002-2016

Recognition and Community

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Recognitions

Nominated and selected for inclusion in Irish Legal 100, 2022-2023

Selected for Pro Bono Attorney Spotlight by Connecticut Center for Children's Advocacy, 2021

Recipient of Certificate of Special Recognition, Federal Grievance Committee, United States District Court, District of Connecticut, 2017

Recipient of the Director's Award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 2016

Recipient of Certificate of Recognition, Metropolitan Police, London, United Kingdom, 2014

Recipient of the Assistant Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service from the Justice Department, 2012

Recipient of National Counterintelligence and Security Award, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 2012

Recipient of the Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service, second-highest honor, from the Justice Department, 2011



Recipient of Certificate of Appreciation from FBI Director Robert S. Mueller, 2009

Recipient of New England Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Award, 2005

Recipient of United States Drug Enforcement Administration, New England Field Division Award, 2004

Recipient of the Director's Award for Superior Performance by an AUSA from the Executive Office of United States Attorneys, 2004

Recipient of New England Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association Award, 2004

Community Involvement

Center for Children's Advocacy (CCA), Pro Bono Volunteer, 2020-Present

Insights

Federal Contractors and Other Recipients of Federal Government Funds, Be Wary: DEI Initiatives May Lead to Liability Under the False Claims Act

Day Pitney Alert, May 30, 2025

Best Practices for Corporate Compliance Programs in an Era of Enhanced DOJ Scrutiny and Uncertainty New York Law Journal, December 5, 2024

U.S. Government Appeals Ruling Finding FCA's Qui Tam Provision Unconstitutional Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter, November 22, 2024

Cyber Incidents: How Best to Work with Law Enforcement May 22, 2017

News

Former Connecticut Federal Prosecutor Stephen Reynolds Joins Day Pitney's White Collar Practice May 6, 2024

In The Media

Sean 'Diddy' Combs prosecutors show evidence of abuse and instances of consent June 24, 2025

Key to Sean 'Diddy' Combs's Defense: Admitting He Was a Terrible Boyfriend The Wall Street Journal, May 18, 2025

Mob-Trial Judge Remembered As 'True Public Servant' In Conn. Law360, April 24, 2025

Trump's terrorist label for cartels raises prosecution risks for companies Thomson Reuters, March 5, 2025

US Case Against Gautam Adani Appears Strong but Extradition Unlikely, Experts Say December 16, 2024



Stephen Reynolds: A Full-Circle Career Back to Day Pitney

Connecticut Law Tribune. June 10, 2024

Day Pitney Adds Former CCO for Federal Programs at Cigna

Anti-Corruption Report, May 22, 2024

Former DOJ Deputy Chief for Cybersecurity Joins Day Pitney as Partner

Cybersecurity Law Report, May 22, 2024

Day Pitney Adds Former Federal Prosecutor in Conn.

Law360, May 9, 2024

Stephen Reynolds Joins Day Pitney as Partner

Corporate Counsel Business Journal, May 16, 2024

Former Cigna In-house Counsel, Federal Prosecutor Joins Day Pitney's White Collar Practice

Hartford Business Journal, May 6, 2024

Day Pitney Adds Former Connecticut Federal Prosecutor Reynolds

Bloomberg Law, May 6, 2024

Connecticut Movers

Connecticut Law Tribune, May 6, 2024

Ethical and Constitutional Obligations of a Prosecutor

September 5, 2023

The Government Attorney as Criminal Prosecutor

February 17, 2021

Cybersecurity Panel of General Counsels and Chief Information Security Officers

November 2017

Northeast Annual Cybersecurity Summit

October 2017

General Counsel and Chief Information Security Officer Cyber Summit

May 2017

"Efforts to Steal Trade Secrets and Export Controlled Technical Data," United States Export and Espionage Laws

Conference

September 2016

United Nations Convening on Fighting Human Trafficking

June 30 - July 1, 2016

Money Laundering Conference, TD Bank University

June 2016

Investigating "Swatting" Incidents, Hybrid Targeted Violence Seminar

June 2016

Annual Cybersecurity Conference

2016 - 2018

"Intellectual Property Crimes, Theft of Trade Secrets, Economic Espionage and Cyber-Intrusions"

February 21, 2016

"Demystifying the Legal Aspects of Trade: Making the Case for Compliance," Aerospace and Defense International Trade Summit

November 2015



"The FISA Process: Initiation to Litigation," and "Legal and Ethical Issues in National Security Cases," Introduction to National Security Investigations and Prosecutions, U.S. Department of Justice National Advocacy Center June 12-14, 2013

"Legal and Ethical Issues in National Security Cases: A Scenario-Based Discussion," United States Department of Justice Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council Coordinators' Conference March 13-15, 2013

"The Times Square Case," Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council Conference, United States Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts

November 2012

Judicial and Prosecutorial Workshop May 2012

"Use of FISA/CIPA in National Security Cases," National Security Training for new United States Attorneys, U.S. Department of Justice National Advocacy Center

March 5, 2012

Complex Issues in Terrorism Cases

October 27-29, 2010

New York Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence Conference October 29-30, 2009

U.S. Department of Justice Interstate Stalking / Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Conference September 2009

Counter-Terrorism Law November 2008

Issues in National Security Prosecutions

August 19-22, 2008

