

Margarita K. O'Donnell Morales

Partner

An experienced trial attorney, Margarita K. O'Donnell Morales focuses on white collar criminal defense and civil matters, representing individuals and corporations in government investigations, criminal prosecutions, and complex civil disputes.

Maggie also served as a former public defender for the District of Columbia, where she represented hundreds of felony and misdemeanor clients and brought numerous cases to trial.

Maggie maintains an active pro bono practice, focusing on criminal defense and immigration matters. She is active in the American Bar Association as a member of the Planning Committee for the National Institute on White Collar Crime, which organizes the ABA's white collar criminal defense conference annually, and as a member of the Planning Committee for the Global White Collar Crime Institute. Maggie is also a Board Member of Rising for Justice (formerly D.C. Law Students in Court), and a member of the Hispanic Bar Association. Maggie speaks Spanish and has experience representing individuals and companies in matters originating in the United States and in Latin America.

Government service

- Public Defender Service
 - District of Columbia

Bar admissions

- District of Columbia
- New York

Court admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

Clerkships

- Hon. Julio M. Fuentes, U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- Hon. Louis H. Pollak, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania



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Practice focus

- White Collar Defense
- Investigations
- Congressional investigations
- Legal Profession and Ethics
- Sports

Education

- New York University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2009
 - Notes Editor, *New York University Law Review*
 - Root-Tilden-Kern Scholar
 - Institute for International Law and Justice Scholar
 - Community Outreach Chair, Latino Law Students Association
- Columbia University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2004
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Charles A. Beard Prize

Languages

- French
- Portuguese
- Spanish



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Representative matters

- Represents an individual and two companies charged in the DOJ's investigation of FIFA.
- Represented an MLB player in a federal civil lawsuit related to allegations of intentionally transmitting a sexually transmitted disease.
- Represented a Flint emergency city manager responding to congressional investigation of the Flint, Michigan, water crisis.
- Represented multiple individuals charged with misdemeanors and felonies in D.C. Superior Court.
- Represented a pharmacist in disciplinary proceedings by a state board.
- Pro bono representation of individuals in immigration proceedings.

