

**BRENDAN V. SULLIVAN JR., PARTNER**

Brendan Sullivan is a senior partner at the firm with nearly forty years of litigation experience in federal and state courts throughout the country. Mr. Sullivan is recognized nationally as one of the best known and most able trial lawyers in America, with an extraordinary record of successes. His principal areas of practice include all types of complex commercial litigation, including securities, antitrust, banking, RICO, and license disputes; the defense of major law firms in malpractice cases and the defense of accounting firms; products liability and mass tort; will contests; as well as high-profile criminal litigation. Typical clients include Fortune 500 companies involved in criminal investigations, litigation, or government regulatory matters.

In keeping with Williams & Connolly LLP's long tradition of representing individuals charged with white collar criminal violations, one area of Mr. Sullivan's national practice continues to be the defense of persons caught up in the high-profile case. Typical cases would be those of Lt. Col. Oliver North and former HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros. Both involved massive legal battles against large prosecutorial teams working at the direction of specially appointed "Independent Counsels" with unlimited resources. Recent cases include the successful defense of Dick Grasso, CEO of the New York Stock Exchange, in litigation brought by the Attorney General of New York. Also, Mr. Sullivan defended U.S. Senator Ted Stevens. The case was dismissed when Mr. Sullivan and his team uncovered that government corruption had infected the trial. Other cases have involved major federal investigations and prosecutions of corporations and their senior executives in industries such as defense, healthcare, food production and distribution, agriculture, international trade, finance, securities, banking, and manufacturing.

His peers and the media have repeatedly recognized Mr. Sullivan as one of today's most respected trial lawyers. ABC World News named him "Person of the Week" praising the manner in which he handled six days of televised congressional hearings in the Iran-Contra matter. A *New York Times* editorial attributed the subsequent courtroom victory to North's "battling lawyers." The *Washington Post* has described him as a "world class lawyer." The *National Law Journal* regularly lists him as among "America's One Hundred Most Influential Lawyers." The *Legal Times* listed him as the "Best Counsel Available" in Washington and identified him as



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**EDUCATION AND HONORS**

- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1967
- Georgetown University, A.B., 1964
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Recognized as one of *The Best Lawyers in America*® for over 10 years
- "AV-Rated" by *Martindale-Hubbell*®

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

- District of Columbia and Rhode Island
- United States Supreme Court
- United States Courts of Appeals for the District of Columbia, Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, and Ninth Circuits
- United States District Courts for the District of Columbia and Maryland
- United States Court of Federal Claims
- United Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

"the leader" of the group. In 2006, *Legal Times* identified him as "The Leading Lawyer in White Collar Criminal Defense" as chosen by the D.C. legal community. The *Washingtonian* magazine called him "D.C.'s Toughest Lawyer" and in a survey of 500 leading lawyers in Washington, Mr. Sullivan was ranked "Number One" and was regarded as "unmatched in preparation, quick-wittedness and aggressiveness."

Mr. Sullivan lectures at various law schools and at continuing professional education programs. He is a principal speaker at various bar and judicial functions. He is the senior member of Williams & Connolly's Executive Committee.

## GOVERNMENT SERVICE

- Captain, United States Army, 1968-1969

## PUBLICATIONS

- *White Collar Criminal Practice Grand Jury*, Litigation and Administrative Practice Series - Criminal Law Course Handbook No. 137, 1985
- *Techniques for Dealing with Pending Criminal Charges or Criminal Investigations*, Litigation and Administrative Practice Series - Criminal Law Course Handbook Series No. 130, 1983
- *Grand Jury Proceedings*, Litigation and Administrative Practice - Criminal Law Course Handbook Series No. 121, 1981