

Contact form for whistleblowers with potential cases under the False Claims Act, IRS Whistleblower Law, SEC Whistleblower Law or CFTC Whistleblower Law

While you are always welcome to call Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC directly and speak with us on a confidential basis in order to obtain a candid evaluation of your case and explore potential representation, in our experience it can be more efficient to provide the key factual details concerning your case in writing so that we may properly assess the merits of your allegations and the strategic issues they raise. This will help us make an informed decision about whether Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC will be able to represent you. If contacting us in writing:

1. Carefully read this section.
2. Fill out the following questionnaire.
3. Follow the directions at the bottom of the page to complete the form and email, fax or mail the form back to us.

Please note that total security and confidentiality cannot be guaranteed with any email system. If you are concerned about security, please print out this questionnaire and send it back to us by regular mail.

Please provide as much detail as possible and send us any supporting documentation. If you would rather write a narrative, please address all the issues the questionnaire raises.

The statute of limitations for filing a False Claims Act lawsuit can be as short as six years and the opportunity for a private individual to bring a false claims action may be cut off if someone else publicizes the conduct at issue, files a False Claims Act lawsuit making similar charges or otherwise spurs the government into action before you file suit. **If you know of any impending events that might pre-empt your claim, tell us immediately.**

We regard your communications with us during the evaluation process as privileged and confidential and will be treated by us accordingly.

We remind you that you also have a responsibility to keep information related to your case private. Do not post anything about the case or your allegations to your Facebook or other social media page. Do not blog or tweet about them. Public discussion of your allegations may be harmful to your case.

QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____
 First Middle Last

Address: _____
 Street City State Zip

Home telephone number: _____ Work telephone number: _____

Which telephone number do you prefer that we use? Home Work

Best time to call? _____ Fax number: _____

Email address: _____ May we contact you by e-mail? Yes No

Profession/Job title: _____

Employer: _____

The next group of questions is directed to the facts underlying the fraudulent or abusive conduct being alleged.

In providing your answers, please keep in mind:

With respect to the False Claims Act, the law generally allows whistleblowers to bring *qui tam* lawsuits when the government has made payments based on false claims, paid claims based on false certifications or has not been paid money owed to it. The law, however, does not apply every time the government makes an unwise purchasing or management decision, nor does it apply to mistakes or negligence.

With respect to the expanded IRS Whistleblower Program awarding up to 30% of the amounts collected by IRS, any alleged tax underpayments or tax fraud must involve taxes, interest and payments totaling more than \$2 million. In addition, in the case of any individual who is committing tax fraud, the individual's income must exceed \$200,000.

Under the Dodd-Frank Whistleblower Program, recovery is predicated on the government recovering more than \$1 million based on the whistleblower's information.

What actions or activities do you believe were fraudulent, and/or that you believe constituted a securities law violation and/or a fraud, manipulation or abusive trading practice in the futures market? If an SEC or CFTC violation, does the loss exceed \$1 million? If this is a tax-related allegation, please describe the tax underpayments or tax fraud and whether the case involves taxes, interest and payments totaling more than \$2 million.

When and how did you become aware of the illegal conduct?

Who was involved in the illegal conduct? If an individual, please provide the name and address if available, and whether you know if the individual has annual income of more than \$200,000. If a company, please give the name and location (city and state) of the company, whether the company is privately or publicly held, and the basis for your belief that the company has sufficient resources to satisfy a judgment based on the allegations.

What was the period of the illegal conduct? If you do not know exact dates, please provide approximate beginning and ending dates. If it is ongoing, so indicate.

What is your estimate of the loss amount resulting from the illegal conduct? Describe the calculations on which you base your estimate.

Do you have any documentation supporting your allegations? If so, please describe.

If you lost your job, have you filed or are you considering filing a wrongful termination lawsuit? Please describe any action you have taken in this regard.

Have you discussed your allegations with anyone, including your employer, a local, state or federal government official or someone in the media? If so, please state with whom you discussed the matter, the circumstances and any response.

Have your allegations been the subject of any legal or legislative action? For example, have they been disclosed in the course of a wrongful termination action, a products liability case, a congressional hearing or agency proceeding? If so, please describe.

Please provide any other information you believe is relevant to your allegations. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

If you have filled out the entire questionnaire and are ready to send it, please read the following.

- By providing you these materials and by reviewing the information you send, Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC has not agreed to represent you, nor have you agreed to retain Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC.
- Our review to determine whether your case is viable and our decision whether to accept it may take some time for several reasons. Before we commit ourselves to representing someone, we thoroughly analyze the applicability of the law to the potential case. This process may include an investigation of the facts presented and sometimes consultations with experts in the field. At the same time, we must continue to work on our existing cases and conduct reviews of other potential lawsuits. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time about the status of our review of your potential case.
- Part of our analysis of your potential case will focus on practical considerations. Cases may be too small or too unsubstantiated (and therefore too risky) to justify the commitment of the firm's resources.

If you would like Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC to review your potential case and you have filled out the above questionnaire, please acknowledge that you have read the above considerations and agree to them by signing your name and entering the date below:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Important Notice: These pages should not be construed to contain legal advice. While we will treat any information provided as privileged and confidential, you should understand that your providing information about a potential case to Kaiser Law Firm, PLLC, does not make us your attorneys. At your request, we will use your information to investigate the possibility of representing you to bring a case. But until both sides sign a written agreement, we do not represent you and have not agreed to do so.