

## Sara Silva

Partner

Boston

### Biography

Recipient of numerous professional excellence awards, including recent recognition as a 2020 Massachusetts Lawyer of the Year, Sara Silva is a Boston-based trial lawyer with nearly 20 years of experience representing global companies and executives in internal investigations, federal investigations and prosecutions, and complex civil and commercial litigation.

Sara has built a reputation for defending clients facing high-profile criminal charges, including public officials, pharmaceutical executives, and foreign nationals. She has conducted internal investigations and defended corporate clients and individuals against allegations of public corruption, export violations, unlawful kickbacks, fraud, false statements, overbilling, false and fraudulent product promotion, manufacturing and design defects, and wrongful death. Sara is a nimble practitioner, with clients operating in a wide variety of industries, including pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturing, overseas imports, commercial fishing, and life sciences.

### Representative experience

Secured acquittal of Boston official in high-profile federal public corruption trial.

Represent pharmaceutical manufacturer in more than



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### Practices

Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud

Commercial Litigation

Products Law

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### Industries

Life Sciences and Health Care

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### Areas of focus

Product Litigation

Anti-Corruption Compliance and Due Diligence

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300 lawsuits across the country concerning alleged false and fraudulent marketing practices.

Represent marine biologist accused of violating export regulations in connection with imports of scientific instruments to the People's Republic of China.

Represented medical device manufacturer in product liability cases including multidistrict litigation involving over 11,000 individual suits and two bellwether trials regarding alleged design defects.

Secured acquittal of pharmaceutical executive charged with conspiracy to violate anti-kickback and prescription drug marketing laws.\*

Represented life sciences company in a multimillion-dollar contract dispute; matter settled two days before trial under terms highly favorable to the client.\*

\*Matter handled prior to joining Hogan Lovells.

## Awards and rankings

- Lawyers of the Year, *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*, 2020
- Top Attorneys in New England, *Boston Magazine*, 2017-2020
- Criminal Defense: White Collar, *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*, 2013-2020
- Top Attorneys in Massachusetts, *Boston Magazine*, 2015-2020
- Top Women Attorneys in Massachusetts, *Boston Magazine*, 2014-2020
- Top Women of Law, *Mass Lawyers Weekly*, 2018

## Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Life sciences and health care horizons 2021
- Awards and Rankings
  - Hogan Lovells partners Sara Silva and Bill Kettlewell

## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., Boston University School of Law, cum laude, 1999

B.A., The Evergreen State College, 1996

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### Memberships

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

Massachusetts Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

American Bar Association

Federal Bar Association

Boston Bar Association

Boston Bar Foundation, Society of Fellows

American Bar Foundation

U.S. Sentencing Commission's Practitioners Advisory Group (2014-2021)

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### Bar admissions and qualifications

Massachusetts

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### Court admissions

U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

recognized as 2020 Lawyers of the Year

U.S. Supreme Court

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- Press Releases

- Hogan Lovells Global Bribery & Corruption Outlook: Pandemic and political disruption create major compliance risks

- ■ Boston Compliance Forum

- Press Releases

- Hogan Lovells partner Sara Silva named among Massachusetts “Top Women in Law”