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Ronald Sharpe, Former U.S. Attorney At USVI District Court, Joins International Law Firm's Washington Office

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The global law firm Jones Day has announced that former U.S. Attorney Ronald W. Sharpe has joined the firm's [Washington Office](#) as a partner in the [Investigations & White Collar Practice](#).

Mr. Sharpe comes to Jones Day after serving as U.S. Attorney for the District of the Virgin Islands from 2009 through 2017. He initially served in the role on a court-appointed interim basis beginning in 2009, prior to his appointment by President Barack Obama in 2011. As the District's chief federal law enforcement officer, he directed and supervised

numerous criminal and civil prosecutions involving public corruption, complex fraud relating to financial transactions, False Claims Act violations, money laundering, government contract fraud, and cybercrime. Notably, Mr. Sharpe created and maintained several coalitions and partnerships with federal, local, and foreign agencies that effectively implemented international crime prevention initiatives across the Caribbean.

"Ron comes to us with an exceptionally impressive track record from his very successful leadership of the Virgin Islands U.S. Attorney's office and his prior experience with the U.S. Attorney's Office in D.C.," said [Ted Chung](#), leader of Jones Day's Investigations & White Collar Defense Practice.

"His experience running significant cases and collaborating with various law enforcement agencies and business organizations in and around the Caribbean give him a unusual understanding of the region's regulations and legal processes, which will be valuable to our clients who currently operate in the region or are considering investment or other business activities there. He will be a great fit for our team and I look forward to working with him," Mr. Chung added.

"We are fortunate to have a lawyer with Ron's experience join us in Washington," said [Kevyn Orr](#), partner-in-charge of Jones Day's Washington Office. "His experience as a U.S. Attorney, particularly given his accomplishments in the Virgin Islands, will add valuable insight and perspective to our global team. We are very pleased to welcome him to Jones Day."

During his tenure as U.S. Attorney, Mr. Sharpe also served on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee, and on several subcommittees including the Borders and Immigration Subcommittee and the Environmental Crimes Working Group. Mr. Sharpe began his career with the U.S. Department of Justice in 1995, serving as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Columbia for 13 years, including 5 years in which he was Senior Assistant for the Fraud and Public Corruption Section.

Prior to his Justice Department service, Mr. Sharpe was an associate in Jones Day's Washington Office, where he focused on general civil litigation, white collar crime, and antitrust matters.

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