

Cohen & Gresser Expands Paris White Collar Practice With the Addition of Vincent Desry

International law firm Cohen & Gresser announced last week that Vincent Desry has joined the firm as a partner in its Paris White Collar Defense & Regulation practice, further reinforcing the firm's capacity in high-stakes white collar cases in France, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Vincent focuses on white collar and general criminal law, with a strong emphasis on cross-border cases. He advises and defends corporate entities, public figures, and executives in high-profile political, business, and financial matters, including complex financial criminal cases. Vincent most recently worked on several landmark cases at French law firm Temime. He also assisted former President Nicolas Sarkozy in connection with the "Bygmalion" case.

"Joining Cohen & Gresser represents a natural progression in the development of my clientele and the expansion of my cross-border practice," said Vincent Desry. "It provides my clients with access to a wider range of experience within a firm that aligns with my ambitions to handle complex, high-stakes international criminal cases. The firm's strong reputation, both in France and internationally, is an invaluable asset that will support the continued growth of my practice."

Vincent's extensive experience significantly enhances the firm's capacity to support French and international clients across a wide range of white collar areas, including criminal defense, regulatory investigations, and compliance matters. His addition bolsters the firm's ability to navigate complex, high-stakes cases involving fraud, bribery, corruption, and other financial crimes. In cross-border matters, the Paris office seamlessly collaborates with the firm's New York, Washington, D.C., and London offices, providing clients with a cohesive, global approach to resolving legal challenges spanning multiple jurisdictions.

Vincent's addition further augments the collective strength of the Paris team, which includes Johannes Jonas and France Portmann Loy, who specialize in transactional matters; Muriel Goldberg-Darmon, a leader in financial markets and services for both advisory and litigation; Angéline Duffour, who specializes in employment law; and Franck Le Mentec, who focuses on tax law. Together, they provide clients with comprehensive legal support across key practice areas.

"Vincent Desry's arrival marks a pivotal moment for our Paris office. It strengthens our standing as a distinguished international law firm, renowned for offering top-tier expertise in handling complex cross-border matters," adds Johannes Jonas, Managing Partner of the Paris office.

About Vincent Desry

Vincent Desry holds a Master's degree in Economic Law from the Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences-Po), specializing in Economic Litigation and Arbitration, and an LL.M. from New York University. He is a member of the Paris and New York Bars.

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Vincent gained his initial experience at Allen & Overy and Dupond-Moretti & Vey before beginning his career at Cabinet Temime in 2017. On November 1, 2024, he joined Cohen & Gresser as a partner on the White Collar Defense & Regulation team.

About Cohen & Gresser

Cohen & Gresser is an international law firm with an outstanding record of success in high-stakes and high-profile litigation, investigations, and transactional work for our clients, including major financial institutions and companies around the world. Our attorneys have superb credentials and are committed to providing the efficiency and personal service of a boutique law firm along with the quality and attention to detail that are the hallmarks of the best firms in the world. The firm has been recognized in a wide range of publications, including *Chambers* and *The Legal 500*.

The Paris office advises a wide range of French and international clients on corporate M&A, capital markets law, regulatory compliance, employment law, tax law and civil, commercial and criminal litigation, including white collar defense. The firm also assists with internal investigations, enquiries, inspections and sanctions before the Autorité de Marchés Financiers and the Autorité de Contrôle Prudentiel, as well as international cooperation with other regulatory bodies (FCA, SEC, etc.) and cross-border investigations (OFAC, FCPA, etc.) conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ).