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U.S. Department of Justice – Antitrust Division
Procurement Collusion Strike Force Showcase

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Procurement Collusion Strike Force (PCSF)

Launched in November 2019:

• Coordinated national response to combat hardcore antitrust conduct and related criminal schemes in government procurement at federal, state, and local levels

• **Objective:** Harness the combined experience and expertise of Department of Justice prosecutors and law enforcement partners to:
  - Deter hardcore antitrust crimes on the front end of the procurement process, and
  - Effectively detect, investigate, and prosecute crimes on the back end
“Virtual” Strike Force—partnership for outreach and investigation/prosecution

1. Increased coordination between Department of Justice prosecutors and law enforcement partners to conduct outreach/training

2. Partnership to investigate and prosecute cases resulting from outreach

3. Data analytics collaboration
Department of Justice

**Antitrust Division**

13 USAOs around the country:

- **Central District of California (Los Angeles)**
  - Eastern District of California (Sacramento)
  - District of Colorado (Denver)
  - District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
  - Southern District of Florida (Miami)
  - Northern District of Georgia (Atlanta)
  - Northern District of Illinois (Chicago)
  - Eastern District of Michigan (Detroit)
  - Southern District of New York (Manhattan)
  - Southern District of Ohio (Columbus)
  - Eastern District of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia)
  - Northern District of Texas (Dallas)
  - Eastern District of Virginia (Alexandria)

Department of Defense OIG

- Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS)

U.S. Postal Service OIG

- General Services Administration (GSA) OIG

Department of Justice OIG

- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

Field offices/ICU squads located in 13 districts
**PCSF: Implementation and Execution**

- Antitrust Division: Trial Attorneys in (5) criminal sections designated as PCSF liaisons for each partner district
- (13) USAOs: AUSAs designated as PCSF liaisons in each partner district
- FBI: Special Agents designated as PCSF liaisons in field offices in each partner district
- OIGs (DOJ, DoD, USPS, GSA): Agent points of contact for outreach, investigation, and data analytics

**District-based model:**
- Tailored to each of 13 districts
  - Designated PCSF liaisons work with OIG partners to do outreach/training to federal/state/local procurement officials and contractor audiences in each district
  - Educate new audiences about “red flags” of collusion
  - Facilitate reporting of suspected violations
  - Partner on resulting investigations/prosecutions