

Department of Justice Launches “Civil Rights Fraud Initiative” to Target DEI Through False Claims Act

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On Monday, May 19, 2025, Department of Justice Deputy Attorney General Todd Blanche issued a memorandum establishing the “Civil Rights Fraud Initiative,” which is the latest signal that DOJ intends to aggressively enforce the False Claims Act in pursuit of the Trump Administration’s goals.

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