

Latest PPP Fraud Settlement Showcases Civil and Criminal Penalties for Knowingly Submitting False Claims

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The Department of Justice ("DOJ") continues racking up more settlement agreements under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729 *et seq* ("FCA") with companies and individuals alleged to have improperly used funds received through the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP" or "Program"). The latest PPP fraud settlement illustrates that attempts to fraudulently obtain forgiveness of PPP loans used for ineligible expenses invites potential liability under the FCA in addition to liability under its criminal counterpart, 18 U.S.C. § 287.

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