

## "Whistleblower Investigations – Best Practices"

This session will focus on the Best Practices to follow when conducting whistleblower investigations related to fraud / financial misappropriation - from the intake of the complaint to the execution of the investigation.

The speakers will present best practices and potential pitfalls through the examination of a Whistleblower case study that will be referenced throughout the presentation. The presentation will outline the immediate steps required when a complaint is received, the factors to consider when conducting a discrete internal investigation, the relevant investigative steps to follow and the potential client response to the findings of the investigation. The presentation will also outline the appropriate steps to take and the processes to undertake to limit the potential risks that an organization may face.

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Chetan Sehgal is a Partner with BDO Canada LLP. Chetan is a board member of the ACFI. He has provided professional accounting services for over 20 years, specializing in forensic and investigative accounting and damages quantification since 2005. Chetan has extensive experience managing complex investigations and assessing damages in matters involving civil litigation, criminal litigation and insurance claims. Allegations of Conflict of Interest, Corruption, Investment frauds, Procurement Fraud, Breach of Contract, Construction Delays, Insurance Claims, Class Action Proceedings, Financial Statement Manipulation, Voter Fraud, Employee Misconduct, Shareholder Disputes, and Intellectual Property Disputes. Chetan regularly authors expert reports and has provided expert witness testimony on his findings. He has conducted such assignments across Canada, US, Mexico, UK and Europe.

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accounting investigations, Lost profits / damages assessments, Office health analyses, Partnership disputes, Ponzi Scheme investigations, Post-judgment investigations, Procurement Fraud investigations, Public record documentation analyses and Shareholder disputes.