

MoFo Nabs Fujitsu's Compliance Head, Ex-Prosecutor In SF

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Law360 (October 16, 2018, 10:12 PM EDT) -- Morrison & Foerster LLP has hired Fujitsu's head of international compliance, who has also worked as an assistant U.S. attorney in California and New York, to join its San Francisco office, the law firm said.

Christine Wong has joined Morrison & Foerster as partner in its investigations and white collar defense group after helping Fujitsu develop and implement compliance programs as its compliance chief. Wong said she joined Morrison & Foerster because she was impressed by the firm's focus on investigations and compliance, by its wide "breadth and depth" of offerings and by its bench of lawyers who once held government positions.



Christine Wong

"The firm has an outstanding reputation for its litigation work," she said in a statement on Monday. "I look forward to working with the remarkable team at Morrison & Foerster and having the opportunity to advise the firm's global clients."

Wong spent the past five years at Fujitsu, where she helped the multinational technology and services company implement compliance programs related to corruption, antitrust and export control. She also conducted risk assessments, which resulted in changing business workflows and policies, according to her profile on Morrison & Foerster's website. She was responsible for managing investigations and related litigation, reviewing policies and procedures, developing and delivering training modules and reporting to the company's board of directors.

Before joining Fujitsu, Wong built her trial and courtroom experience, while serving as an assistant U.S. attorney in the Southern District of New York and in California's Northern District for seven years, according to Morrison & Foerster.

Wong, who is proficient in Mandarin and Cantonese, earned a law degree from Columbia University School of Law and an undergraduate degree from Stanford University, according to her LinkedIn profile. After law school, she was an associate at Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP for four years. She became an assistant U.S. attorney in 2004, and after working for the government, she joined Boies Schiller Flexner LLP as partner.

Chuck Duross, co-chair of Morrison & Foerster's investigations and white collar defense group, said

Monday that Wong has an impressive background and a proven track record in cross-border compliance matters.

"We are confident that our clients will benefit from Christine's broad range of experience and her further strengthening our already market-leading investigations capabilities," he said in a statement.

In addition to Wong, Morrison & Foerster has recently hired as partners former federal prosecutor Virginia Lt. Gov. Justin E. Fairfax; former director of the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control John E. Smith, who joined as a co-head of the firm's national security practice; and Lisa Phelan, former Chief of the National Criminal Enforcement and Washington Criminal I Sections of the Antitrust Division at the U.S. Department of Justice.

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