

## Archer Adds Former Bergen County Chief Assistant Prosecutor Anthony Talarico

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Archer is pleased to announce that Anthony C. Talarico has joined the firm as a partner in its Corporate Compliance, Investigations & Criminal Defense Practice Group in the Hackensack office. A seasoned trial attorney and former Chief Assistant Prosecutor in Bergen County, NJ, Anthony brings more than a decade of experience handling high-profile, high-stakes criminal matters, experience he now leverages in representing clients across both criminal and civil cases.

At Archer, Anthony will focus on internal investigations, regulatory compliance, white-collar criminal defense, and complex civil litigation, offering clients a rare depth of insight drawn from years leading major investigations and prosecutions at the county and state level. His practice is uniquely positioned at the intersection of criminal law and civil liability, where strategic risk management, legal insight, and courtroom experience are critical.

During his tenure with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, Anthony served as Chief of the Major Crimes Unit, where he oversaw the investigation and prosecution of all homicides, fatal accidents, arsons, strict liability drug cases, and suspicious deaths, supervising more than 100 active investigations at any given time. He led a team of attorneys, detectives, and forensic professionals in cases that often involved cutting-edge investigative techniques and coordination with federal and state agencies. Under his leadership, the office launched the Strict Liability Task Force, a first-of-its-kind initiative to address the rise in fentanyl-related overdose deaths through aggressive legal enforcement and prosecution.

"We're excited to welcome Anthony to Archer, where his unique perspective will benefit clients in both civil and criminal matters," said Christopher Gibson, Archer president. "Anthony's ability to dissect complex legal and factual issues, lead sophisticated investigations, and navigate both the courtroom and the boardroom makes him an invaluable asset to our clients."

Reflecting on his new role, Anthony said, "After years in public service, I'm excited to bring that experience to a team that takes a thoughtful, strategic approach to complex legal problems. Archer's depth across both criminal

and civil matters makes it the ideal place to continue doing meaningful work."

Prior to leading the Major Crimes Unit, Anthony held several senior roles within the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office. His extensive public service career includes leading the Narcotics Task Force, a supervisor in the Trial Section, handling hundreds of grand jury matters. He also served as the chief legal advisor to the North Jersey Regional Cold Case Task Force where he brought to justice a regional serial killer for a 1974 double homicide. He has successfully tried numerous jury trials, including multiple homicides, and argued appeals before the Appellate Division and drafted briefs before the New Jersey Supreme Court.

At Archer, Anthony will represent corporate clients, executives, professionals, and individuals facing internal investigations, government scrutiny, or criminal charges. His experience with emerging investigative tools involving communication data warrants, cell phone extractions, and novel DNA technology enhances Archer's ability to advise on cutting-edge legal issues and rapidly evolving enforcement tactics.

## **About Archer**

For over 95 years, Archer & Greiner has been providing full-service litigation and transactional legal services to clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations and small and middle-market companies, to closely-held and family-owned businesses. Our 175 attorneys span nine offices serving clients' interests across a wide range of industries. As a full-service firm, we draw on the strength of all our practices and multidisciplinary teams. This collaboration ensures that our clients receive complete, coordinated, and comprehensive counsel in every area of the law that impacts their business.

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