



Crawford & Acharya

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### **Women of color duo launches new corporate compliance and investigations legal boutique**

Boutique law firm, Crawford & Acharya pllc, has officially launched today in Miami and Boston. The firm, which specializes in corporate compliance and investigations, is the brainchild of accomplished lawyers Angela Crawford and Lila Acharya. Together, they have over 35 years of combined legal expertise and have conducted over 150 investigations, trainings, and compliance reviews in more than 30 countries around the world.

The pair has an enviable track record advising global clients in a number of industries, including life sciences, retail, food and beverage, manufacturing, defense, and technology. Collectively they have experience as outside counsel at DLA Piper LLP, Ropes & Gray LLP, and Kirkland & Ellis LLP, three of the world's most prestigious law firms; as in-house counsel at global elites, including Rolls-Royce plc and Pfizer; and as prosecutors. The duo met several years ago working together on an investigation in Dubai when Lila was in-house counsel and Angela was outside counsel.

The new boutique challenges the traditional notions of corporate compliance and investigations by offering a client-centric, collaborative, and forward-thinking approach to legal services. The firm has a bold and innovative model that allows them to act as true partners to their clients and offer fee arrangements tailored to their clients' needs.

Commenting on the launch, Boston-based partner Lila Acharya said:

"This is an exciting time for us and our firm. Having practiced in the U.K. for the last five and a half years, I am thrilled to be back in Boston where I began my career. I look forward to continuing to work with clients globally. We have significant experience in the corporate compliance advisory space and in conducting cross-border investigations. Our experience in-house and at global elite firms has given us a unique insight

into some of the frustrations that our clients have felt with the traditional law firm approach. This has allowed us to re-think the model and offer something innovative as an alternative. We have a real enthusiasm for what we do and are looking forward to delivering our work in true partnership with our clients.”

Miami-based partner Angela Crawford added:

“We are delighted to launch Crawford & Acharya, and to take the work we are passionate about doing to this next level. We are particularly grateful for the support we have received from our network of clients and colleagues. Our tagline “*Depth of Experience. Diversity of Perspective*” is deeply meaningful to us, particularly at a time when there is much discussion about client service as well as diversity and inclusion. We are confident that the combination of our considerable corporate compliance and investigations experience, client-centric approach to fee arrangements, and perspectives as women of color attorneys practicing in a global legal and business environment, will enable us to offer distinctive service to our clients.”

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Notes to editors:

1. *Crawford & Acharya pllc is a boutique corporate compliance law firm registered in the United States.*
2. *The members of Crawford & Acharya are Angela Crawford and Lila Acharya.*
3. *The firm is authorized and regulated in the U.S. by FLORIDA and MASSACHUSETTS*

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