ACAMS HONORS FORMER OCC DEPUTY CHIEF COUNSEL WITH OUR LEADERSHIP IN GOVERNMENT AWARD AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA


This award highlights Stipano’s three decade-long career at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) and recognizes his dedication to protecting the integrity of the global financial system in partnership with the AML community. Stipano began his career with the OCC as a Staff Attorney in the Compliance and Enforcement division and was ultimately promoted to serve as Deputy Chief Counsel, a post he held for 16 years. While at the OCC, Stipano played a key role in every major enforcement action (over the last two decades) and every major BSA/AML post-USA PATRIOT Act rulemaking and policy issuance.

“Dan Stipano has always understood that the private sector is essential to AML success,” said John Byrne, ACAMS EVP. “Even being tasked with overseeing enforcement throughout his career, he was always quick to offer advice and support to compliance officers, CEOs and anyone else smart enough to ask for his counsel.”

Distinguished ACAMS Advisory Board members and special advisors provided commentary regarding Stipano’s proactive role in banking regulation and supervision:

- “I first met Dan Stipano in the mid-90s when we both participated as members of the governmental interagency Bank Fraud Working Group. Following the terrorist attacks of 9/11, Dan and I had numerous contacts regarding overlapping interests involving a specific financial institution. Dan always acquitted himself, in carrying out his responsibilities with dignity, purpose and professionalism. I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this award. Dan most certainly had a distinguished government career and was a recognized leader in the interagency community.”
- Dennis M. Lormel, CAMS, President and Chief Executive Officer, DML Associates
• “I've had the pleasure of knowing Dan for over 20 years since I worked most of my career at OCC-regulated institutions. While at the OCC, Dan was a voice of reason and his guidance and counsel were always very much appreciated by the institutions he regulated. Fortunately, Dan is still an active practitioner in the AML and financial crime field, and I hope that we will continue to benefit from his counsel in his new private sector role.”
  - Susan J. Galli, CAMS, Managing Director, Advisory Financial Crimes Unit, PwC

• “Dan Stipano has been at the forefront in dealing with anti-money laundering compliance matters on behalf of the OCC. I've known Dan since the early '90's and have always found him to be a gentleman, forthright in his discussions and has always acted with integrity and professionalism. It’s great to have him on the private side, but he will be sorely missed on the public side.”
  - Dan Soto, Chief Compliance Officer, Ally Bank

The 22nd Annual International AML & Financial Crime Conference will take place at the Diplomat Resort & Spa, Hollywood, Florida, 3555 S Ocean Dr., Hollywood, FL 33019. For more information and to download a full conference schedule, visit www.acamsconferences.org/hollywood.

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Editor’s Note: Members of the media may contact John J. Byrne (jbyrne@acams.org) at 703-282-4954 for credentials to cover the conference or for login information to participate through the online virtual conference option.

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