United States Attorneys litigate criminal and civil cases on behalf of the U.S. Government.

Criminal Work:
We prosecute federal violations of law involving violent crime, firearms, terrorism, immigration, drug trafficking, organized crime, cybercrime, environmental crime, public corruption, fraud, money laundering, child exploitation, and human trafficking, among other matters.

Civil Work:
We represent the U.S. Government through the enforcement of environmental, public safety, health care, fair housing, and Government program fraud laws; by defending the interests of the Government in lawsuits filed against the United States and judicial review of administrative rulings; and by enforcing the financial and property interests of the Federal Government in civil and criminal collections, real estate foreclosures and bankruptcy proceedings.

Why Do We Do This?
To ensure public safety against threats foreign and domestic; to provide federal leadership in preventing and controlling crime; to seek just punishment for those guilty of unlawful behavior; and to ensure fair and impartial administration of justice for all Americans.

“The United States Attorney is the representative not of an ordinary party to a controversy, but of a sovereignty whose obligation to govern impartially is as compelling as its obligation to govern at all.”
What is a United States Attorney’s Office (USAO)?

United States Attorneys serve as the nation's principal prosecutors under the direction of the Attorney General. They are appointed by the President and confirmed by the United States Senate. There are 93 United States Attorneys stationed throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. Each United States Attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the United States within his or her particular jurisdiction.

United States Attorneys conduct most of the trial work in which the United States is a party. The United States Attorneys have three statutory responsibilities under federal law: the prosecution of criminal cases brought by the federal government; the prosecution and defense of civil cases in which the United States is a party; and the collection of debts owed the federal government which are administratively uncollectible.

Zachary A. Myers is the United States Attorney (USA) for the Southern District of Indiana. Mr. Myers was presidentially appointed to this post on November 15, 2021. Prior to being appointed USA, Mr. Myers served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the both the District of Maryland and the Southern District of Indiana.

For additional information about the District and USA Myers, please visit: http://www.justice.gov/usao/ins/.

For news about what the USAO is currently doing to serve the district, please visit: http://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/news-and-press-releases or visit us at twitter.com/sdinnews.

Mission of the USAO

- Enforce federal criminal laws and represent the United States and its agencies in civil litigation.
- Educate the public about the justice system and the rights of all citizens.
- Lead crime prevention efforts through speaking engagements and community involvement.
- Facilitate cooperation among law enforcement agencies.

Organization of the USAO

The USAO for the Southern District of Indiana has the following groups, which are all essential in fulfilling our mission:

- **Criminal Division** - The Criminal Division prosecutes federal crimes through its Violent Crime Unit, Drug Trafficking Unit, National Security Unit, General Crimes Unit, and its Evansville Branch Office. The Criminal Division's Victim Witness Unit assists all those who come forward as witnesses or victims of crime.

- **Civil Division** - The Civil Division defends civil matters and brings actions on behalf of the federal government. The Civil Division includes the Asset Recovery Unit, which collects debts owed to the federal government and seeks civil forfeiture of assets related to criminal offenses.

- **Appellate Division** - The Appellate Division oversees criminal and civil appellate issues, including brief writing and oral advocacy.

- **Administrative Division** - The Administrative Division manages the office's human resources, budget, and litigation support services.

Were you the victim of a crime?

We want to help! Check out our website for ways in which we can assist victim witnesses. https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/victim-witness-assistance

You may also find information regarding identity theft and sextortion at: https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/resources

Law Enforcement Resources

We strive to foster effective cooperation and communication with local and federal law enforcement agencies. For more information about our Law Enforcement Coordination Committee, please visit: https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/lecc

Interested in Joining our Office?

Simply visit our website to check for current opportunities for attorneys, law clerk, volunteer student, and support staff positions. https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/employment-opportunities

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