

The U.S. Attorney's Office: We Serve You!



United States Attorney's Office
Southern District of Indiana

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

Criminal Work:

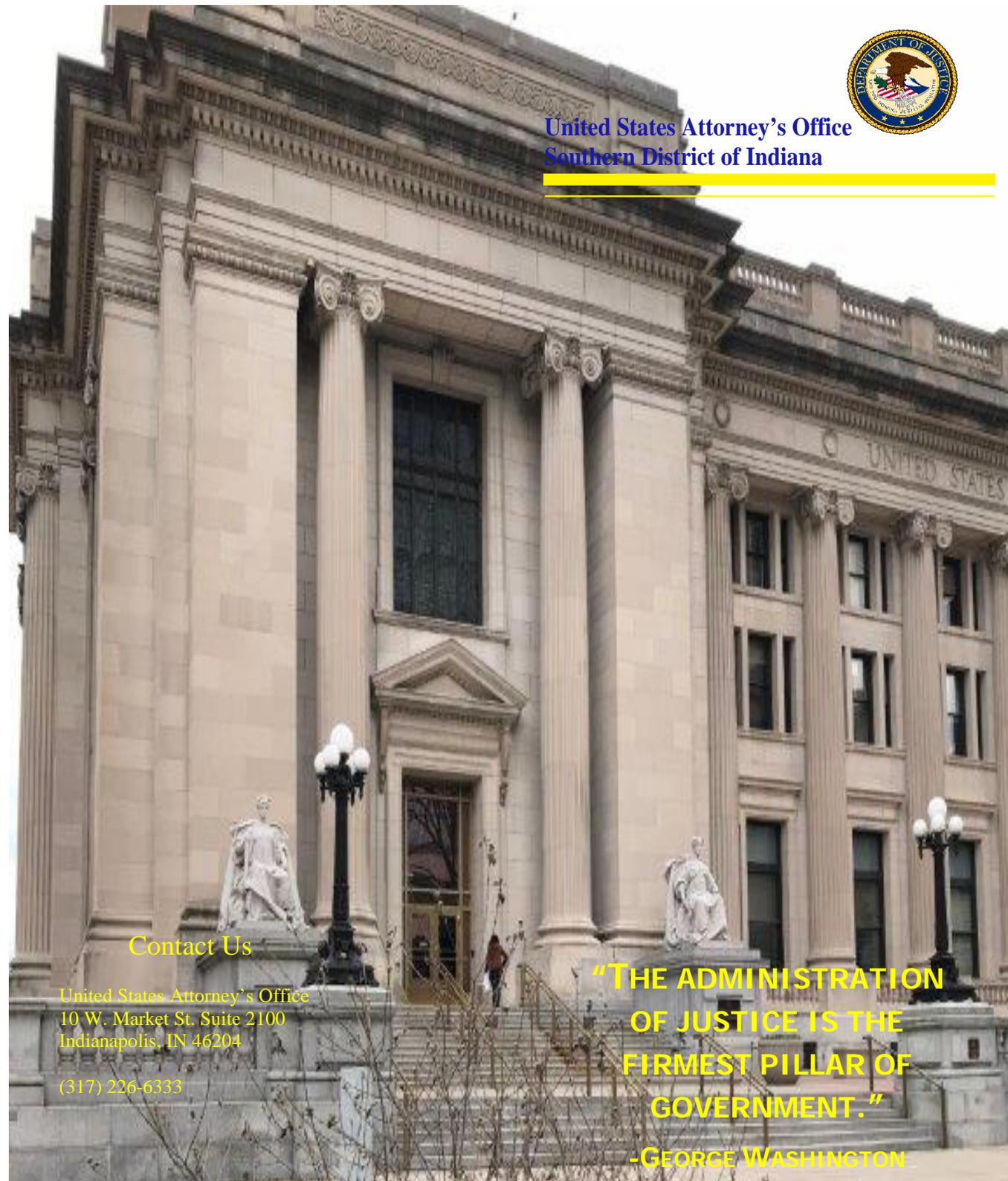
We prosecute federal violations of law involving violent crime, firearms, terrorism, immigration, drug trafficking, organized crime, computer fraud, environmental crime, public corruption, health care fraud, money laundering, financial institutions and program fraud, among other matters.

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?

The centerpiece of what we do is to make our communities a safer place to live, play, work, and engage in business.



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OF JUSTICE IS THE
FIRMEST PILLAR OF
GOVERNMENT."**

-GEORGE WASHINGTON

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.

Josh J. Minkler is the United States Attorney (USA) for the Southern District of Indiana. Mr. Minkler is an Indiana native and was presidentially appointed to this post on October 10, 2017. Mr. Minkler is a dedicated public servant and has devoted more than 20 years of service to the office. A veteran of the Drug and Violent Crime Unit, Mr. Minkler announced a Strategic Plan designed to guide the office in its efforts to increase public safety within the district and direct and shape the office mission.



For additional information about the District, USA Minkler, and the Strategic Plan, please visit: <http://www.justice.gov/usao/ins/>.

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.
- ◆ Conduct federal and local law enforcement training.
- ◆ Facilitate cooperation among law enforcement agencies.

Organization of USAOs

Most USAOs have the following groups which are all essential in fulfilling our mission:

- ◆ **Criminal Division** - The Criminal Division prosecutes federal crimes.
- ◆ **Civil Division** - The Civil Division defends civil matters and brings actions on behalf of the federal government.
- ◆ **Appellate Division** - The Appellate Division handles criminal and civil appellate issues including brief writing and oral advocacy.
- ◆ **Asset Recovery Unity** - The ARU collects debts owed to the federal government and seeks forfeiture of assets related to criminal and civil matters.
- ◆ **Victim Witness Unit**- Assists all those who come forward as witnesses or victims of crime.
- ◆ **Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee** - The LECC works to improve communication and cooperation among federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies.

For news about what the USAO is currently doing to serve the district, please visit:

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/news-and-press-releases> or visit us at twitter.com/sdinnews.



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 attorney, law intern, volunteer student, and support staff positions.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/employment-opportunities>

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