

RESEARCH GRANT FRAUD

Major types of fraud involving federal research grants include:

- <u>Misrepresentations on Federal Grant Applications</u> grantees commit this fraud when they deliberately misrepresent their eligibility for a federal research grant or their intended use for the grant funds.
- Misuse of Grant Funds examples of this type of fraud include using grant funds for personal expenses, charging the grant for costs that are not attributable to the grant, and charging the grant for inflated hours or labor.
- <u>Falsifying Test Data</u> grantees commit this type of fraud by falsifying the results of a research study in order to receive federal grant funds for the study.

The whistleblower provisions of the FCA have successfully been used to combat fraud in connection with grants or research funds. If you are aware of a potential case and would like to speak with one of our attorneys, please email us at wbinfo@ktmc.com or call us at (610) 667-7706. All case evaluations are confidential and free.

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