

BENTHAM IMF

WHISTLEBLOWER FUNDING



Disclosing waste, misconduct or outright fraud
is a complicated process that
entails a lot of work
and **enormous commitment.**

It can **cost you your job,**
take a toll on your family
and **consume years** of your life.

– Kiplinger

BRINGING FRAUD TO LIGHT

Bentham is committed to facilitating access to justice for individuals and companies. We know that whistleblowers face enormous challenges, largely due to the length of even the strongest cases. We provide them the support they need to do the right thing by exposing fraud against our government.

Where appropriate, Bentham offers the following resources to assist whistleblowers in their fight to bring fraud to light:

➤ **Support**

Talk to our network of successful relators about their experiences and learn about their real-world fight against fraud and retaliation. They are available to discuss any problem or concern during a whistleblower's pursuit of justice.

➤ **Selecting Counsel**

Bentham works with some of the best whistleblower attorneys in the world. When a whistleblower is not represented by counsel, we can provide access to excellent lawyers for evaluation of claims.

➤ **Funding**

In the right cases, we can provide funding for living expenses or working capital for a whistleblower's business. Bentham's funding is without obligation of repayment, except from the whistleblower case. We only recover if the whistleblower recovers.

➤ **Tax/Estate Planning**

If we sign a term sheet for funding with a whistleblower, we can offer preliminary tax guidance from one of the foremost tax experts in whistleblower cases. After a funding transaction, a whistleblower can retain these and/or other experts to help with critical tax planning.

➤ **Financial Planning**

Bentham-funded whistleblowers can access professionals who can help them appropriately protect the funding received from Bentham and any eventual award from the litigation.

DELIVERING ON A MISSION

What We Fund

Depending on the case, Bentham can provide up to \$10 million or more in funding, which may be used in the following ways:

- **Payment of living expenses.** Whistleblowers whose employers have retaliated against them can use funding to cover personal living expenses.
- **Operating expenses and start-up costs.** Whistleblowers who own a business hurt by a competitor's fraud on the government can use funding to cover the operating expenses of the existing business, or start a new one.
- **Funding of working capital.** Law firms representing whistleblowers can use portfolio funding for strategic expansion capital or for expensive expert or investigative costs.

"Protecting whistleblowers and holding retaliators accountable throughout the government is necessary, and the more we can do, the better."

- Senator Chuck Grassley

Benefits of Funding

- **Non-recourse financing.** Our funding is non-recourse, meaning if the case fails, there is no need to repay Bentham for its investment.
- **Additional case analysis.** We conduct our own due diligence of the case.
- **No control.** We do not control legal and settlement decisions in any case.

Funding Requirements

To be eligible for funding, the case must meet the following preliminary requirements:

1. The funding requested exceeds \$1,000,000.
2. The relator's award will likely exceed \$10,000,000.
3. The defendant has a clear ability to pay.
4. The litigation has strong prospects of success.
5. The case arises under federal or state whistleblower laws.

If you are an individual, corporate whistleblower, or a lawyer representing a whistleblower, in a case that meets our criteria, please email us at WhistleblowerFunding@benthamimf.com to receive Bentham's funding eligibility questionnaire.

ABOUT BENTHAM IMF

Bentham IMF is the US arm of publicly listed [IMF Bentham Limited](#) (ASX: IMF), one of the most successful litigation funding companies in the world, and one of only two *Chambers and Partners* "Band One" litigation funding companies in the US, with a portfolio that has a total claim's estimated recoverable amount of \$5.6 billion AUD. Together, our companies have 14 offices throughout the US, UK, Australia, Canada and Asia and provide funding to clients in jurisdictions including the US, UK, Europe, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Hong Kong and Singapore. We have reviewed thousands of commercial cases in the past 17 years, funding to completion 179 cases and generating over \$2.3 billion AUD in recoveries. We have achieved a 90% success rate, with clients utilizing our funding retaining an average of 62% of all case proceeds.

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