

# Due Diligence Investigations Tailored To The Needs Of Each Client & Situation



Bishops Services understands that every situation, every investigation, every client is different. We leverage a staff of seasoned investigative experts, an expansive network of contacts and the very best technology available to perform due diligence that is tailored to the needs of the particular client and situation. Here are some recent examples of our investigative findings.

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## Case Study 1: Investigating A Person's Potential Role In Financial Mismanagement

**Background:** Client requested an investigation into an individual who had been on the Board of Directors of a now-bankrupt entity. Press coverage speculated as to whether or not the Board's Audit Committee, upon which the subject served, acted in the best interests of the company.

**Findings:** Upon digging deeper into the company's financial records, it was revealed that the subject was ultimately pulled into the company's legal proceedings as a Defendant. The case was settled for unspecified terms, releasing the subject from any claims.

**Investigator Takeaways:** Court documentation and press coverage may not always make enough information publicly available to know with certainty someone's responsibility in this kind of situation. However, the Client was able to go into discussions with the subject well informed on the history of the situation, knowing what questions to ask.

### Sources:

- SEC Filings
  - Press Coverage
  - Company Reports
  - Court Documents
  - Individual Interviews
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## Case Study 2: Investigating The Integrity Of Potential Business Partners

**Background:** Client requested due diligence on a married couple that was starting a local business in which the Client wanted to invest. The Client described the couple as "All-American" with "squeaky clean" reputations, and had initial hesitations about needing to conduct any due diligence.

**Findings:** It was revealed the couple had lengthy records they had been hiding. The husband had previously filed for bankruptcy and the wife had been arrested for grand larceny and breaking and entering- all in other states. The investigation also revealed that the husband had taken his wife's name at the time of their marriage, and that he had been arrested for assault under his former name.

**Investigator Takeaways:** The local community may sing the praises of an individual, but there could be many skeletons in their closet from where they previously lived or worked. Reputation should not be solely relied upon when deciding to do business with someone.

### Sources:

- Federal, State & County Arrest Records
  - Marriage Licenses
  - Social Security Administration
  - Civil Court Records
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