

## **Ariel Neuman Authors Bloomberg Law Article: “Menendez Case Shows Possible Peril of Pre- Indictment Meetings”**

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Bird Marella partner [Ariel Neuman](#) authored this Bloomberg Law article regarding the prosecution of U.S. Senator Bob Menendez in the Southern District of New York. In that case, the government filed obstruction charges (and obtained convictions) based on a pre-indictment presentation his lawyers made. The prosecutors tried (unsuccessfully) to put the lawyers' PowerPoint slides into evidence and his attorney was almost forced to testify. Mr. Neuman sets out strategies for defense counsel to consider when contemplating pre-indictment presentations to prosecutors, and how to minimize the chances of walking a client into obstruction charges. Read the full article on Bloomberg Law [here](#). *Mr. Neuman is recognized by Chambers USA in the Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations category and was named Lawyer of the Year for Criminal Defense: White-Collar by Best Lawyers® in 2023. He previously served as an Assistant United States Attorney, where he was named Prosecutor of the Year by the Federal Law Enforcement Officers' Association.*