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**Overview**

Johan heads up the Governance Compliance and Investigations Practice Area of Bowmans. He has more than 26 years' experience in fraud prevention, detection and investigation and has been involved in the forensic investigation environment for a quarter of a century. He has held a number of positions as the head of forensic investigation practices.

Johan leads large and complex forensic investigations and provides governance and compliance advice to large corporate and public service clients. He is a specialist in procurement and supply chain management (Public Finance Management Act and Municipal Finance Management Act matters) and Regulatory Law and has conducted numerous investigations into Ponzi and Pyramid schemes and other financial fraud.

He is recognised as one of the foremost specialists in the country for regulatory and compliance law and has been appointed by the South African Reserve Bank as a Temporary Inspector of Banks and Repayment Administrator to investigate a number of investment schemes, including a scheme known as Travel Ventures International. He regularly represents other Inspectors and Repayment Administrators in complex matters relating to Banking Supervision. He was included on the list of general legal advisors for the South African Reserve Bank and the Auditor-General of South Africa in July 2015 and August 2016 respectively for a period of four years.

Other appointments such as investigating large IT Procurement Fraud, (2016/ 2017) investigating misconduct within the leadership of the City of Cape Town, (2017/ 2018) and supply chain management investigations for Eskom (2017/2018) demonstrate the market's recognition of his ability.

He frequently represents clients in various types of arbitrations relating to white collar crime and acts as an arbitrator and chairperson in complex employment law or regulatory forums. He also has extensive experience in the investigation of fraud and corruption in other jurisdictions in Africa.

He has lectured part-time at three South African universities since 2004 and has developed a forensic auditing course for the University of South Africa (UNISA).

He has an LL.M degree in Cyber Law and Human Rights.

**Experience**

- *Chambers and Partners 2018* ranked Johan in Band 1 for Corporate Investigations.
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*Johan Kruger attracts praise for his excellent track record in large forensic investigations, with notable proficiency in fraud prevention and white-collar crime concerns. Market commentators recognise his "very good reputation" and describe him as "an excellent investigator."*

- **Chambers and Partners 2017**

*"Johan Kruger garners praise from sources for his expertise in white-collar crime and experience managing complex inquiries. Market observers say: "He is a very experienced practitioner, and is very much focused on*

*achieving practical results.”*  
**- Chambers and Partners 2016**