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Jodi Avergun Quoted in *The Washington Post* on Opioid Crisis

Washington, D.C., February 26, 2018—Cadwalader partner Jodi Avergun, chair of the firm's White Collar Defense and Investigations practice, was quoted in *The Washington Post* on Feb. 26 in a story titled "The Health 202: States are going after opioid makers."

Avergun, who served as chief of staff of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and is a former federal prosecutor, explained the difference between lawsuits over the opioid crisis and the tobacco industry litigation in the 1990s.

"Did the manufacturers understate the addictive nature of the drugs?" she said. "That's entirely possible, but to say everything that ensued from that point on is the fiscal responsibility of the manufacturer I think is a very questionable proposition."

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