Statement of Scope: For my assignment I would like to examine the ethical implications of white-collar crimes and how they are prosecuted within the United States justice system.

Sources Assignment

Primary Source:

This piece of art featured on the issue of the New Yorker by artist David Plunkert really represents one common theme revolving around common crime – that businessmen can get away with just about anything. Donald Trump is the perfect modern day figurehead to personify the extent to which white collar workers can do something as unethical as to publically, though implicitly, endorse a national hate group, and still maintain one of the highest offices in the land. This artwork really speaks on the depth and intensity to which white collar professionals can evade indictment, or face little penalty for their actions.

Secondary Source:

After the Note 8's debut, Samsung's attention turned to the sentencing hearing for its vice chairman and de facto head, Lee Jae-yong. Lee, the grandson of the company's founder, was arrested in February in a corruption scandal that forced the ouster of South Korean President Park Geun-hye. Lee has denied all wrongdoing related to the charges, which include bribery, perjury and embezzlement tied to mergers that helped secure his succession at the company. Jailing Lee would be a significant break with history, as it appears that South Korean officials have also been convicted before, though facing little prosecution. This speaks to the issue of white collar crime because these tech giants have fully subscribed to the “to big to jail” criminal suspect model.
Tertiary Source:


This book establishes that lawyers who commit crimes are often at the top of their profession and are affluent, respected members of society who seem to have little reason for criminal behavior. It exposes the motivations and the stories of senior partners in influential Canadian firms who have illegally sustained expensive lifestyles, engaged in drug trafficking, been convicted of immigration fraud, laundered money, and been disbarred for having sex with clients. This book is a relevant source for white collar crime because it gives insights into lawyers, legal practice, and how the law itself can fail or be twisted.
“President Trump’s weak pushback to hate groups—as if he was trying not to alienate them as voters—compelled me to take up my pen,” David Plunkert, the artist behind next week’s issue, said. Plunkert seldom takes on political subject matter, but felt moved to do so in light of Trump’s response to the violence in Charlottesville. “A picture does a better job showing my thoughts than words do; it can have a light touch on a subject that’s extremely scary.”
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Samsung faces a crucial smartphone launch as its top executive faces a sentencing hearing


Abstract
While Samsung has successfully launched two phones — the Galaxy S8 and S8 Plus — since the debacle, analysts say it still had been at a disadvantage in its race with Apple for the high end of the phone market. Analysts expect that the new phone will have better cameras, an edge-to-edge screen and several new software features for power users — including those who take advantage of the Note's signature stylus. Lee has denied all wrongdoing related to the charges, which include bribery, perjury and embezzlement tied to mergers that helped secure his succession at the company.

Full Text
Samsung faces two potentially crucial moments this week — the launch of a new smartphone and a hearing that will determine whether its vice chairman will spend the next 12 years in jail.

On Wednesday, the company will debut the successor to the disastrous Galaxy Note 7 — the Galaxy Note 8. The latest addition to Samsung's premium phone line will show whether the company has the ability to overcome its past and secure its future.

The Note 8 is merely a midrange phone to carry this weight. The company had to recall the Note 7 after major battery issues caused some of the phones to burst into flames. While Samsung has successfully launched two phones — the Galaxy S8 and S8 Plus — since the debacle, analysts say it still had been at a disadvantage in its race with Apple for the high end of the phone market.

"In the premium phone space, it's a two-horse race between Samsung and Apple. In the last year, Samsung has only had half a horse in the race," said Patrick Moorhead, principal analyst at Moor Insights, referring to the Note 7.

With the Note 8, Samsung is trying to revive its premium phone line, which, thanks to the recall, has not had a new model since 2015. The large-screened Note line has always appealed to Samsung's most loyal fans and been a showcase for its most innovative features. Analysts expect that the new phone will have better cameras, an edge-to-edge screen and several new software features for power users — including those who take advantage of the Note's signature stylus. The company has also instituted new safety protocols with the Note 8 to avoid another disaster.

But after the Note 8's debut, Samsung's attention will turn to another huge event: the sentencing hearing for its vice chairman and de facto chief, Lee Jae-yong, on Friday.

Lee, the grandson of the company's founder, was arrested in February in a corruption scandal that forced the ouster of South Korean President Park Geun-hye. Lee has denied all wrongdoing related to the charges, which include bribery, perjury and embezzlement tied to mergers that helped secure his succession at the company.
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