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## Court Backs Rare Criminal Penalty in OSHA Fall Case, Boosting Enforcement

“One primary reason that historically so few criminal cases have been pursued under the Occupational Safety and Health Act is that it is challenging to prove a criminal violation under the Act,” explained Eric Conn, an industry attorney of the firm Conn Maciel Carey, which represents employers, [in a previous blog post](#).

“Combine that with the fact that, even with a conviction, the consequences are less significant than the consequences for many other white collar crimes and you end up with a situation where the criminal provision of the OSH Act is rarely employed.”

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