

Federal Programs and Government Contracts

Williams & Connolly's Government Contracts practice leverages the firm's experience and recognized strengths in high stakes litigation and sensitive investigations to achieve favorable results for our clients.

Our litigators focus on representing government contractor clients in internal and governmental investigations, contract-related disputes and remedies, and complex civil, criminal and administrative litigation. They have significant experience with the wide variety of laws governing the relationships between contractors, their competitors and teaming partners, and state and federal governments, and with handling investigations and litigation for contractors doing business with all major civilian and defense federal agencies and numerous state governments.

Over the years, we have represented contractors across a wide spectrum of industries, including aerospace and defense, information systems and technology, professional services and consulting, financial services, telecommunications, real estate, construction and engineering, industrial products and supply, retail, and healthcare.

A sampling of representations in which the firm has handled cases and controversies for contractors include:

- Civil and criminal False Claims Act ("FCA") matters;
- Executive Branch, Congressional, grand jury, and state investigations arising out of or related to government contracts, including those involving the Department of Justice, U.S. Attorneys' offices, federal and state Inspector Generals, and other investigative agencies, administrative tribunals, and Congressional committees;
- Internal investigations implicating federal laws and regulations, including FCA and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA") matters, procurement integrity and government ethics laws, employment retaliation and fraud allegations, data privacy and cybersecurity issues, and mandatory disclosures under federal acquisition regulations;
- Contract and tort litigation arising from the performance of government contracts, or between contractors and their teaming partners or competitors;
- Class actions brought against contractors;
- Intellectual property litigation, including patent, trade secrets, non-disclosure agreements, and restrictive covenants (non-competes);
- Employment-related disputes, including the defense of whistleblower claims and retaliation actions under numerous provisions of federal law;
- Agency, Government Accountability Office, Court of Federal Claims, and state procurement bid protests;
- Battlefield torts; and
- Suspension and debarment inquiries before federal agencies and the World Bank.

No matter the context, the mission of Williams & Connolly's Government Contracts practice is to help clients manage complexity, resolve conflict, and achieve their business goals.

Related Practice Areas:

- [Administrative Law](#)

- Class Action
- Criminal Defense and Government Investigations
- Commercial Litigation
- Congressional Investigations
- Economic Sanctions
- False Claims Act and Qui Tam
- Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (“FCPA”)
- Unfair Competition, Trade Secrets and Restrictive Covenants