

WTO Policy and Legislation

Access to overseas markets is essential for multinational and farmers. And rules-based trade among nations benefits both companies and consumers. Everyone has a stake in opening markets and strong multilateral trade rules.

We help multinational, investors, farm groups, and governments in WTO disputes and negotiations, FTA disputes, trade remedy procedures, and more. From food safety to cars, insurance, pharmaceuticals, and other products.

We've been directly involved in policy-making, negotiations, legislation, and disputes since the WTO was formed. Our team includes former USTR lawyers. So we get the inside baseball.

Companies and trading nations alike profit when trade flows seamlessly. Find your voice in the system with Hogan Lovells.

Representative experience

Advised on high-profile challenge to WTO-inconsistent foreign barriers, leading to major win for client.

Secured language in China's WTO accession protocol regarding discriminatory pharmaceutical price controls and in Taiwan's protocol regarding data protection for innovative drugs.

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Practices

International Trade and
Investment

Advised Province of Ontario during successful Canadian challenges to U.S. countervailing duties on softwood lumber.

Advised Thyssen-Krupp Mexico during successful WTO challenge to U.S. "zeroing."

Handle WTO appeals of the U.S. Supercalendared Paper case for the Government of Ontario.

Provide guidance to food trade associations and producers on the successful WTO challenge by Canada and Mexico to U.S. country-of-origin labeling requirements.

Advised pharmaceutical, infant nutrition, and auto clients regarding foreign barriers that violate WTO rules and worked with USTR to achieve solutions to address industry concerns.

Worked with governments and U.S. industries to show that U.S. and foreign barriers to telecommunication and financial services violate GATS and to secure negotiated solutions.

Worked with Vulcan Materials to successfully strip protectionist AD/CVD language from Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

Advised Business Coalition for U.S.-China Trade during congressional votes to approve PNTR and ensure U.S. companies benefited from China's WTO accession commitments.