

Government Relations and Public Affairs

We offer clients a formidable combination of political and legal intelligence. Many of our lawyers and policy advocates have extensive backgrounds in public service. We provide a fully integrated team of lobbyists, regulatory specialists and communicators operating under one budget.

Government policy and regulation define your business environment. Understanding the political landscape in which they are made, and knowing how to navigate it, can be critical. Having the right person in your corner to advocate on your behalf can be a crucial factor in your organization's success.

When selecting your advisors, you need a team with the right relationships, the political intelligence, the legal knowledge — and a reputation for delivering results.

Working at the intersection of business and government, we offer a unique approach to identifying emerging policy risks and opportunities. And to shaping legislation, policy, and government decisions to your advantage.

We take the time to learn the nuances of your business, and build these into our strategic approach. We also understand the political and policy-making environment in which you are engaged to make sure that we are respected and trusted by legislators and policy makers.

Key contacts

Aaron Cutler,
Washington, D.C.

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Senator Norm Coleman,
Washington, D.C.

Charles Brasted,
London

Jun Wei,
Beijing

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We have an unparalleled combination of industry, regulatory, and legal knowledge. This, along with our understanding of the way governments and legislators operate, means that we can deploy the full range of arguments and approaches in a way that is sensitive to your needs and to the pressures on policymakers.

Across the major policy-making centers of the world, including Washington, Brussels, London, and Beijing, our global team brings together deep regulatory knowledge and policy advocacy experience with local insight. We deliver results on a local or international level.

Representative experience

Advising Uber on regulatory policy issues arising from the rollout of its disruptive business model.

Advising Libyan State institutions on a range of international issues since the 2011 revolution, including engagement with UK, EU, and U.S. policymakers and legislators.

The Embassy of Japan on legislative, regulatory, policy, and other matters.

Aflac in assessing the impact of various tax reform proposals and advocating policy positions in the tax reform debate.

Nissan and advocates on their behalf on a wide variety of issues where regulatory and legislative actions may impact Nissan's business.

Lobbying the European Commission, European Parliament, and the EU Member States on behalf of a major U.S. trade association on EU REACH-related issues.

Supported the work to gain federal approval for G2 to export natural gas from the U.S.

Areas of focus

Aviation Legislation and Policy

Congressional Investigations

COVID-19 U.S. Government Legislation

Energy Legislation and Policy

Environment and Climate Change Legislation and Policy

Federal Funding and Appropriations

Food Legislation and Regulatory Policy Development

Foreign Government Representation

Health Legislation and Policy Legislation

National Security and Defense Legislation and Policy

Political Law Compliance

Privacy and Cybersecurity Public Policy Counseling and Advocacy

State & Local Government Representation & Policy

Tax Legislation and Policy

Trade Legislation, Policy, and Negotiations

UK Parliamentary Affairs

Hydrogen

Aviation Litigation

Related practices

Administrative and Public Law

Strategic Communications

Advising BT Pension Scheme on formal and informal engagement with UK government, Pension Protection Fund, Pensions Regulator, and European Commission.

Provide UAS guidance to the National Association of Broadcasters.

Assisting a major international food company with an EU- and national-level lobbying strategy aimed at ensuring the reduction of acrylamide levels in food.

Advising The Crown Estate on drafting and passage of primary and secondary legislation to give effect to the devolution of management of the Scottish estates.

Awards and rankings

- Band 1 for Congressional Investigations, *Chambers USA*, 2023
- Tier 1 for Government Relations, *Legal 500 USA*, 2023
- Tier 2 for Government Relations, *Legal 500 US*, 2021-2022
- Band 2 for Government Relations Nationwide, *Chambers USA*, 2021-2022
- Tier 1 for Parliamentary and Public Affairs, *Chambers UK*
- Tier 1 for Public Affairs, *The Legal 500 UK*
- Tier 1 for EU Regulatory, *The Legal 500 EMEA*

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The French President announces the dissolution of the National Assembly: What you need to know

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