



Government Regulation Practice

As governments worldwide revisit longstanding assumptions and rules, Jones Day’s global team of former high-ranking government officials and leading regulatory lawyers delivers results in high-profile regulatory, crisis, investigatory, enforcement, and litigation matters.

- Our lawyers have shaped and navigated shifting government priorities while serving at the highest levels of government, allowing us to handle significant and sensitive matters at a time of rapid change.
- Our team combines vast government experience with deep industry knowledge to bring practical, solutions-oriented, battle-tested perspectives to high-stakes government-facing problems.
- Our former government officials have handled significant, novel matters in the senior ranks of all three branches of the United States federal government, the European Union, and the French, Japanese, and Mexican governments.
- Our lawyers have successfully managed legal, regulatory, political, and public relations crises in local, state, national, and international arenas, preserving individual and corporate reputations.
- We have a reputation with clients and government agencies alike for technical acumen, clear strategic thinking, and a willingness to challenge the government.
- We are experienced in multijurisdictional cross-border matters and appreciate the complexities that they present.
 - In government, members of our Government Regulation Practice have advised the President of the United States, Cabinet members, and other senior officials of both major political parties on sensitive and consequential matters involving tariffs and international trade, U.S.–China relations, Presidential and agency authorities, judicial nominations, and administrative law. Our lawyers have served in the White House, at the National Security Council, in the United States Intelligence Community, in the departments of State, the Treasury, Justice, Commerce, Transportation, Homeland Security, Agriculture, the Army and the Air Force, the Government Accountability Office; at the European Commission; in France’s Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Equipment and Transportation, and Ministry of Internal Affairs and Land Development; in Japan’s office of the Prime Minister and Ministry of International Trade and Industry; and in the office of the Presidency of the Republic of Mexico—offering clients insight into governments’ operations, authorities, and “unwritten rules.”
- Our team has distinctive experience counseling and representing clients facing Congressional investigations and has successfully navigated CEOs, corporate officers, executives, U.S. Supreme Court Justices, Presidential Cabinet members, and hundreds of federal judges through some of the most divisive and closely watched Congressional hearings of the modern media age.
- Members of our political and election law practice have served as Chairman of the Federal Election Commission and as general counsel to major Presidential campaigns in each election cycle over the past 20 years. We routinely counsel state and federal elected officials—including House and Senate Leadership and Committee Chairmen—campaigns, and PACs. Our political law team also includes lawyers who have recently served on the staffs of the Chairman and Ranking Members of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee and on the staffs of Commissioners of the Federal Election Commission.
- Our regulatory litigators have prevailed in challenging government agency regulations and defending against investigations and enforcement actions at every level of the state and federal judiciary, including the U.S. Supreme Court. Our distinguished team includes litigators who have clerked at all levels of the federal judiciary, including the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as over 60 former U.S. Department of Justice lawyers, including heads of the Federal Programs Branch appointed by Presidents of both political parties, the former acting Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Rights Division, and litigators from the Environmental and Natural Resources, Criminal, and Commercial Litigation divisions and lawyers from the Office of Legal Counsel.
- Our environmental litigators represent clients across the world in every major industry, including energy and power, chemical, metals and mining, aviation, and manufacturing. We have taken the lead in some of the most high-profile and precedent-setting matters, including multijurisdictional toxic tort cases around the world, including climate change litigation in the United States and Europe, asbestos and chemical substances claims in Europe, and a wide range of administrative, civil, and criminal enforcement matters under various regulations, including the Clean Air Act involving stationary and mobile sources, the Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and REACH. We regularly advise clients in connection with climate change regulations, product safety, and stewardship, and we are thought leaders and counselors on climate change litigation and the science related to those claims.

- Collaborating across multiple continents and jurisdictions, Jones Day lawyers regularly help clients navigate the complicated and opaque sanctions regimes administered by the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") and counterpart European agencies—as well as complex conflict-of-laws questions posed by the European Union's "blocking statute," which threatens penalties for compliance with certain U.S. sanctions. Given the "black box" nature of the field—with the government rarely explaining its actions or interpretations in detail, and frequently providing minimal or no notice for consequential shifts—we leverage our lawyers' relevant government experience, which includes extensive work drafting and advising on sanctions orders, licenses, and policy strategies in coordination with officials at OFAC and other key agencies.
- Our lawyers draw on extensive industry knowledge and rare, in-depth government experience with the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States ("CFIUS") to advise clients on the full range of foreign investment issues, including novel questions arising under CFIUS's new authorities. Members of our team are closely integrated with deal teams in the Firm's U.S. and non-U.S. offices, and have advised on hundreds of transactions involving Jones Day clients in every region of the world. Their advice is informed by government experience overseeing and training the Treasury Department's investment review staff, reviewing hundreds of CFIUS filings, advising on transactions referred to the President by CFIUS, and helping shape the Executive Branch's input to and implementation of the Foreign Investment Risk Review Modernization Act and the Export Control Reform Act of 2018.
- Our telecommunication, media, and technology lawyers handle all areas of telecommunications law, from satellite communications law to complex transactions involving multi-agency antitrust review. We create regulatory strategies for new and existing telecommunications service providers and secure new regulations, spectrum allocations, and experimental licenses to support emerging technologies. Recognizing the international nature of global communications services, our teams in the United States, Europe, and Latin America seamlessly provide comprehensive legal advice to our clients. Our regulatory litigators have succeeded in challenging high-profile rulemakings by the Federal Communications Commission in the U.S. Courts of Appeals.
- Our government contracts counseling and litigation lawyers have decades of experience navigating the complicated and fluctuating framework of public procurement law and policy. Our lawyers have held positions at key procurement law organizations, including the Government Accountability Office, the Department of Justice, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, executive agencies, and on Capitol Hill. We litigate protests, claims, and other disputes at the Government Accountability Office, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the Federal Circuit, the Boards of Contract Appeals, and in state and federal courts. We are well-versed in contract change management, compliance monitoring, cost matters, intellectual property, supply chain management, cybersecurity compliance and preparedness, industrial security (including security clearances and related compliance matters), internal investigations, government audits, and resolving agency subpoenas. We have also defended government contractors in investigations and False Claims Act matters throughout the United States and navigated suspension and debarment issues with agency Suspension & Debarment Officials.
- Our aviation and transportation lawyers advise clients in regulatory matters worldwide. We counsel and represent clients before the FAA, DOT, NTSB, GACA, and other aviation regulatory authorities on economic and safety regulation of U.S., European, and Asian air carriers; aircraft leasing and finance transactions; operation of business aircraft; transport of hazardous materials; and use of unmanned aircraft. We recently succeeded in a challenge to airport fees before the European Court of Justice and secured a favorable result for an aircraft manufacturer in a complex international arbitration before the ICC.
- Jones Day's multidisciplinary, multijurisdictional teams provide, through seamless collaboration around the world, customized advice and representation to clients facing complex regulations and government agencies and regulators across all major areas, including trade and tariffs, national security, health care, telecommunications, and environmental regulation. We are well positioned to assist with the full spectrum of issues—including compliance counseling, due diligence and transaction support, license applications and other filings, investigations and enforcement matters, and, where necessary, litigation involving private parties or against the government. We work closely with other regulatory specialists and appellate litigators in the Washington Office, as well as practitioners across Jones Day's offices across the United States, Europe, and the world.

Lawyers in Jones Day's Government Regulation Practice know how government works and bring a well-informed perspective on how judges, Justices, and senior government lawyers think about novel legal questions. When a client faces a make-or-break situation involving the correct interpretation of a regulation or of an agency's authorities, we are prepared to advise and counsel on the full range of options.

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