

Overview

In many jurisdictions, a government agency's performance directly hinges on resourcing and the quality of its relationships with national government, provincial, state and local partners. As a government agency, your success often depends on engaging with strategic partners to meet the needs of your stakeholders.

Dentons can help. We know how to work with you in finding, developing and collaborating with your strategic partners—whether they are involved in procurement, technology development, program management or other initiatives. From start to finish of your project, use us for advice and assistance in managing the procurement process with your private sector clients who are participants, managers or service providers.

At Dentons we also know the public sector—the political processes, laws and regulatory requirements that determine your success. We can work together to ease your delivery pressures across the development, energy, infrastructure, regulatory, health, education and finance sectors. We can help you emerge with your desired outcomes in developing new programs, identifying funding, and working with relevant legislatures to implement your plans.

You need partners that understand the needs of government agencies, give practical, timely and responsive legal advice, and offer you strategic insight and solutions. Dentons is that partner.

Look to our lawyers for effective solutions customized to address the needs of government agencies including:

- Statutory interpretation and vires
- Contracts, public procurement and strategic partnering
- Planning advice
- Real estate, compulsory purchase and land assembly
- Disposals and acquisitions, public open space and related matters
- Development, partnering arrangements and funding agreements
- Energy, utilities, defense, health, waste, water, highways, rail, airports and transportation
- Judicial review and litigation (or trial proceeds)
- Freedom of information and data regulation
- Support to public inquiries

Representative Experience

- **Central Government Department:** Advising in connection with threatened union strike action and, in particular, considering whether the union's political agenda meant that they failed to demonstrate that the action was in furtherance of a trade dispute, and so qualified for statutory protection.
- **Canadian Wheat Board:** Advising on the unique restructuring of the employee pension and benefit plans in the

context of fundamental changes.

- **Major clean energy generating companies:** Representing as respondent intervenors in defense of the Environmental Protection Agency's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule in the DC Circuit, including through a successful merits briefing in the Supreme Court where the rule was upheld. The matter is now back on remand in the DC Circuit. This high-profile case involves one of the Obama administration's most complex and significant regulations to date addressing air emissions from power plants.