

Overview

Clients turn to Dentons' Litigation and Dispute Resolution team for the intellectual savvy, creativity and depth we bring to high-stakes and complex disputes, wherever they may arise. We litigate—and regularly try to verdict—a broad range of complex matters in federal and state courts across the country, as well as before administrative bodies and arbitration tribunals. We also have a proven track record on appeals, up to and including the nation's highest courts.

The value we deliver comes not only from our impressive record of courtroom success and the tested firepower of our litigators, but from our deep understanding of our clients and the industries in which they operate. Whether in financial services, insurance, energy, life sciences and health care, higher education, or the many other industries on which we focus, the risks are expansive, the stakes are high and our clients need and expect a dedicated and responsive team. To meet the myriad challenges of a sophisticated global marketplace and its highly regulated environments, we team with colleagues throughout practice areas and locations across the globe to provide seamlessly integrated legal counsel and problem-solving, singularly focused on your goals.

Whether we are defending companies and their executives in multijurisdictional, enterprise-threatening class actions and related government inquiries, navigating multifaceted infrastructure and energy-related disputes, responding to catastrophic insurance claims or protecting clients' contractual interests and cutting-edge technology around the world, our aim is simple: produce cost-effective, winning results so our clients can focus on their business.

Our creative resolve extends beyond the courts and formal arbitration. Disputes do not exist in isolation, and our 360-degree approach helps our clients identify and address issues that arise from multiple constituencies—be they consumers, investors, employees or government regulators. We add to that deep experience in litigation avoidance through the use of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) and out-of-court advocacy, again focused on helping you reach the optimal result for your business.

With more than 300 litigators in the United States and more than 2,000 worldwide, we bring exceptional depth and scope to the resolution of our clients' disputes. We are proud of our track record and stand ready to partner with you.

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Deciding how to go about resolving a dispute no longer an either/or (settle or sue) proposition. Reaching an agreement can involve looking at a continuum of options and sometimes utilizing more than one. Our services range from drafting ADR clauses into commercial contracts to engaging in informal negotiations, formal mediation, binding arbitration and, of course, litigation. Even litigation can be modified through the incorporation of ADR elements, such as neutral fact-finding, moderated settlement conferences, mini-trials and summary jury trials.

At Dentons, we welcome ADR tools as an indispensable part of our litigation practice, as it enables us to design an approach in each case that results in the most timely and cost-effective solution to a given problem. We have successfully made use of every ADR format in a variety of cases, with particular success in matters involving family business succession, commercial contracts, real estate, construction, employment, family law and education. In addition, a number of our lawyers are trained mediators or certified American Arbitration Association (AAA) arbitrators, serving as neutrals to resolve disputes brought to us by other lawyers.

Areas of focus include:

- Arbitration
- Intellectual Property Litigation

- Class Action Defense
- Commercial Litigation
- Competition and Antitrust Litigation
- Constitutional Law, including Aboriginal and Native Law
- Construction and Engineering Disputes
- Employment Disputes
- Energy Litigation
- Environmental Litigation
- Financial Services Litigation
- Insurance Litigation and Arbitration
- Pensions and Benefits Disputes
- Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Litigation
- Product Liability Litigation
- Real Estate Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Regulatory and Administrative Tribunals
- Restructuring Insolvency and Bankruptcy
- Securities and Shareholder Litigation
- Trust and Estate Litigation
- White Collar and Government Investigations

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