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Shaunna Bailey is special counsel in the Governmental Practice in the firm's Los Angeles office.

Areas of Practice

Shaunna has broad experience representing and providing strategic advice to clients ranging from small businesses to large government contractors on a wide variety of issues related to contracting with the federal government.

Shaunna's practice focuses on bid protests before the U.S. Court of Federal Claims and the U.S. Government Accountability Office, contract-related litigation before federal courts, government contract compliance reviews and counseling, and internal investigations.

Experience

Bid Protests & Litigation

Shaunna regularly represents government contractors in various industries in connection with bid protests and litigation, including:

- successfully defending and prosecuting numerous pre- and post-award bid protests before the S. Government Accountability Office and the Court of Federal Claims;
- successfully challenging at the Court of Federal Claims a decision by the Department of Education to cancel a solicitation for critical services;
- successfully challenging the Social Security Administration's decision to limit competition in procurement for critical equipment and services;
- obtaining a summary judgment victory in a multi-million dollar breach-of-subcontract dispute.

Government Contracts Counseling & Compliance

Shaunna routinely counsels clients on compliance with federal acquisition regulations and ethics rules, including:

- advising clients on questions related to compliance with specific FAR and DFARS provisions, the Trade Agreements Act, the Procurement Integrity Act and the FAR Mandatory Disclosure Rule;
- leading government contracts compliance reviews of newly acquired subsidiaries and recommending process improvements and changes to policies and procedures;

- designing company-specific compliance programs and manuals on contract requirements, ethics and reporting;
- providing in-person federal contract compliance training to corporate leadership and key personnel;
- advising companies on mitigating risks associated with GSA Schedule contracting;
- advising clients on subcontracts, teaming agreements and non-disclosure agreements; and
- conducting government contract-related due diligence in support of corporate acquisitions.

Government Contracts Investigations

Shaunna represents clients in connection with investigations regarding alleged wrongdoing in government contracting, including:

- conducting internal investigations of large government contractors in matters involving potential civil and criminal False Claims Act liability, and counseling clients on resolution of investigations;
- overseeing forensic accounting review of pricing anomalies associated with the administration of GSA Schedule contracts;
- preparing mandatory and voluntary disclosures to Offices of Inspector General and the Department of Justice; and
- responding to suspension and debarment inquiries.

Shaunna is also the co-author of *Black Beach: A Community, an Oil Spill, and the Origin of Earth Day*, a fictional picture book for young readers based on true events that inspired the first Earth Day.

Articles

- Updates on Greenhouse Gas Emission Disclosure Requirements for Defense Contractors
Westlaw Today, 04.23.2024
- GSA's Carbon-Free Power Plan Tips for Electricity Suppliers
Law360, 04.16.2024
- Children's Book Writing Makes Me A Better Lawyer
Law360, 12.18.2023

Energy Law Blog Posts

- "6 Key Considerations for Selling Carbon Pollution-Free Electricity to the Federal Government," March 20, 2024

Government Contracts & Investigations Blog Posts

- "Updates on GHG Emissions Disclosure Requirements," March 27, 2024
- "An Evolving High-Wire Act: Navigating Conflicting Laws, Regulations, and Guidance in the ESG Space," August 1, 2023
- "GSA Issues Request for Information on Carbon Pollution-Free Electricity," February 1, 2023

- "Proposed Rule Requires Contractors to Disclose Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk," November 29, 2022
- "Presidential Executive Orders Delegate Additional Authorities To Respond To COVID-19 Outbreak," April 1, 2020
- "Presidential Executive Order Calls on HHS to Issue Priority Contracts and Allocate Scarce Medical Resources," March 20, 2020

Books

Black Beach: A Community, an Oil Spill, and the Origin of Earth Day
02.21.2023

Events

Proposed Federal Acquisition Regulation: Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Climate-Related Financial Risk
03.21.2023

Memberships

Member, State Bar of New York
Member, Bar of the District of Columbia
Member, U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Practices

Government Contracts
Governmental Practice

Education

J.D., American University, Washington College of Law, 2008, *cum laude*
B.A., Wake Forest University, 2004

Clerkships

Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Marian Blank Horn of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Admissions

California

District of Columbia

New York

U.S. Court of Federal Claims