



firm profile

McMillan is a modern and ambitious business law firm serving public, private and not-for-profit clients across key industries in Canada, the United States and internationally. With recognized expertise and acknowledged leadership in major business sectors, we provide solutions-oriented legal advice through our offices in Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Ottawa, Montréal and Hong Kong. Our firm values – respect, teamwork, commitment, client service and professional excellence – are at the heart of McMillan's commitment to serve our clients, our local communities and the legal profession. For more information, please visit our website at www.mcmillan.ca.

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government and public policy

overview

For any organization, it is vital to be aware of the public policy process, understand how and why laws and regulations are put into place, and anticipate their impact on doing business. Similarly, governments at all levels collaborate with each other and with private enterprise to deliver services that improve their citizens' quality of life.

Public and private constituencies require legal counsel that can move effortlessly between the worlds of government and business. They need experts who understand the sometimes conflicting needs of these organizations, and can navigate regulatory agencies and governmental bodies.

McMillan's Government and Public Policy Group has a wealth of experience working with all levels of government in Canada. We are a recognized leader in government relations and public policy issues, stemming from our well-established relationships with key decision makers throughout federal, provincial and municipal government.

Our lawyers regularly advise corporations, agencies, non-governmental organizations, associations and governments on government relations and public policy issues, and have initiated changes to legislation in key areas of governmental activity including taxation, competition law, business law, and the regulation of foreign investment.

We are also a market leader in privatization and procurement. We are well-equipped to assist on project planning, procurement, negotiating, and tendering. McMillan legal teams have worked on transactions involving all types of public infrastructure arrangements including privatizations, outsourcing arrangements, public-private partnerships, alternative financing and procurement, concessions, leases, and alternative financing structures.

We have an integrated, experienced group of lawyers, and public policy and government relations professionals. Our focus is on facilitating a mutually beneficial relationship between the regulatory activity of governments and our clients' interests.