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Michael J. Slattery | Of Counsel Government Contracts

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Michael J. Slattery concentrates his practice on government contracts litigation and counseling. Michael represents domestic and international companies from a wide variety of industries that contract, or seek to contract, with federal, state, and local governments.

### **Bid Protest Litigation**

Michael has litigated scores of bid protests at the United States Government Accountability Office, the United States Court of Federal Claims, executive agencies, and state and local fora. He regularly litigates protests involving contracts worth more than \$100 million, and has litigated several protests where the underlying contract was worth over one billion dollars.

#### Claims and Related Litigation

Michael has successfully litigated claims at Boards of Contract Appeals and arbitration panels. He has also litigated matters concerning intellectual property rights arising from government contracts, the propriety of past performance evaluations, as well as false claims act and takings cases.

#### Counseling

Michael possesses broad experience in counseling clients on government contracting issues, and has counseled government contractors on all subjects covered by the Federal Acquisition Regulation. He has aided clients in the drafting of:

- Contracts
- Subcontracts
- Teaming agreements
- Government contract compliance plans
- Data and intellectual property rights agreements
- Federal grant and sub-recipient agreements
- Cooperative research and development agreements

Michael has conducted government contracts due diligence in support of proposed acquisitions and internal investigations.

### Select Engagements

- Defended award of a NASA enterprise-wide IT services contract worth \$2.5 billion.
- Successfully protested, on behalf of a small business, a DOJ multiple contract award decision for IT support services, where the seven contract awards each exceeded \$200 million.
- Successfully defended client's use of its generic Federal Supply Schedule IT labor rates rather than the software manufacturer's brand name labor rates in defense of \$146 million IT services contract.
- Successfully defended \$235 million satellite communication support services award to small business client against three protests.
- Successfully defended at GAO and the U.S Court of Federal Claims client's contract award to deign and construct the Coast Guard's next generation response boat fleet.
- Obtained favorable settlement for client protesting the award of a GSA lease/build contract for class A office space in Washington, D.C., through litigation at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.
- Safeguarded the award of an estimated \$210 million GSA lease/build contract for class A office space at both GAO and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.
- Successfully defeated government contract license defense asserted by NASA in patent infringement case involving use aboard space shuttle of an alloy developed by international aerospace manufacturer.

### Admissions

- District of Columbia
- New York

### **Memberships**

American Bar Association

#### **Education**

- Catholic University of America, BSME
- George Washington University Law School, JD
- George Mason University, MA

## **Professional Activities**

Michael is a member of the American Bar Association and the Government Contracts section of the District of Columbia Bar Association.