

## Aerospace and Defense

The aerospace and defense (A&D) industry is changing significantly. Global spending on defense and weapon system platforms is increasing.

Governments are procuring analysis and engineering services to address escalating terrorism threats, cybersecurity concerns, and an ever-increasing demand for big data analytics.

Commercial space and unmanned vehicle advances have invigorated key sections of the industry. Brexit and the administration change in the U.S. are creating challenges and opportunities across the globe. And, technological advances such as 3-D printing are creating unique opportunities for innovative products, decreased time-to-market schedules, and agile maintenance and repair services. Our clients demand experience. They need comprehensive and cost-effective support from lawyers who know their business and understand the demands of their industry.

Our global A&D practice is focused specifically on your needs. Our team includes industry-leading lawyers with corporate, commercial, regulatory, investigations, and litigation experience. We work closely with some of the largest and most established A&D companies in the United States, Europe, and Asia. We advise dozens of middle market businesses, emerging companies, new ventures, global entities, along with investment banks and private equity firms that are active in the industry.

Our clients are also some of the most innovative in the world. Our clients build manned and unmanned aircraft, supply parts

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and materials to the aerospace industry, and develop and deliver the technologies required for defense and national security. Our clients make and provide launch vehicle and satellite services and provide the services and innovations required for homeland security and critical governmental operations.

Together we will tackle the difficult challenges, capitalizing on opportunities, and avoiding pitfalls. We will guide you through government regulatory and procurement hazards and protect your interests in disputes and government investigations. Our industry focus enables us to fully understand your business and the challenges you face. We anticipate emerging issues before they become a problem and we give advice that achieves results.

## Representative experience

Representing a leading aerospace company in its US\$5bn merger of equals transaction, one of the more complex A&D M&A transactions in recent years.

Performing internal investigation in 35+ countries on 5 continents. Managing subsequent interactions and negotiations with governmental investigating authorities.

Representing a leading launch vehicle provider in bid protest litigation involving a multibillion dollar contract for national security space satellites.

Assisting A&D companies to classify commodities, technology, and software under the EAR and ITAR. Seeking formal classification rulings from U.S. Departments of Commerce and State.

Advising a major defense contractor working in Iraq on contractor risk, including issues pertaining to the Defense Base Act and Status of Forces Agreement.

Assisting a satellite operator on the procurement of a military satellite for use by NATO forces.

Advising defense contractors and critical infrastructure owners

## Companies

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### Cybersecurity for A&D Companies

We understand the legislative and regulatory landscape and counsel numerous ADG companies.

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### Our Space and Satellite Practice

We work with those involved in "traditional" space, NewSpace, and government procurements, around the world.

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## Industry Focus

M&A for A&D Companies

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## Related practices

Antitrust and Competition

Aviation Law

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on utilizing cyber threat information sharing programs.

Defending bid protest litigation involving a US\$1.5bn, 10-year contract for management and operation of the U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

Advising a leading aerospace and defense company in the acquisition of a government services provider via a reverse triangular merger.

Advising a major defense contractor on CAS audits and other DCAA reviews involving the company's cost-accounting capabilities and internal controls.

## Awards and rankings

- Highly Recognized Government Contracts, *Chambers USA (Nationwide)*, 2017-2020
- Government Contracts Firm of the Year, *Who's Who Legal*, 2016-2019
- Highly Recognized Government Contracts Practice, *The Legal 500 US*, 2018-2019
- Band 2 for Aviation Finance in France, *The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East and Africa*, 2018
- Band 2 Asset Finance, *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2018
- Alexander Premont was named a Next Generation Lawyer Aviation Finance and Shipping Finance (France), *The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East and Africa*, 2018
- Band 2 for Transportation: Aviation (France), *Chambers Europe*, 2018
- Alexander Premont ranked Band 3 for Aviation Finance, *Décideurs*, 2018
- Most Innovative Law Firms, North America, *Financial Times*, 2016-2017
- Band 1 for Public Procurement, *Chambers UK*, 2016
- Band 1 for Transportation: Aviation: Regulatory — Nationwide, *Chambers USA*, 2016-2019
- Tier 1 or Top - Tier Firm for Transport: Aviation and Air Travel:

Litigation Services

Mergers and Acquisitions

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Public Procurement

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Regulation, *The Legal 500 US*, 2018, 2019

- Ranked Tier 2 for Government Contracts, *Legal 500*, 2019

## Latest thinking and events

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*ADG Insights*

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*The A Perspective Podcast*

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