

Manufacturing

Providing Counsel to an Energy-driven Industry

With constant change in the industry, you need a legal partner with focus and precision. That's why we've built a diverse and collaborative team of more than 70 attorneys and government relations professionals who understand your business and the types of legal solutions you need.

We represent global Fortune 500 companies – chemicals, petrochemicals, plastics, and other sectors – that provide the building blocks for manufactured products. Our energy attorneys' experience has proven invaluable to our manufacturing clients when arranging financing, negotiating agreements, complying with regulations, and defending litigation.

Our Deep History With Chemicals & Metals Manufacturers

Chemicals and metals manufacturing have an important relationship with the energy industry. From the oil and gas feedstocks for the petrochemicals industries to the coal and natural gas used in the products you make, the energy industry makes the chemicals and metals industries possible. Our experience throughout the upstream and midstream segments of the energy industry is shared downstream to counsel you effectively on matters ranging from mergers and acquisitions to labor relations, from antitrust concerns to Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) compliance, to regulations and government affairs.

How We Can Help You

Managing the Transactions that Let You Move Forward

Your success depends on transactions that finance your growth and support daily operations. We're ready to assist you with acquiring credit facilities, mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, securities compliance, purchase and sale agreements, licensing agreements and all of the other transactions on which your business depends.

You Help Protect the Environment. We Help Protect You.

Chances are, you're more concerned than ever with environmental matters, and with good reason. You're subject to a vast array of federal, state and local environmental regulations that are constantly changing. We help you to conduct your business successfully – while complying with these regulations – by providing you with a team that combines technical know-how and practical judgment. With former regulators and prosecutors on our team, we have first-hand experience on all sides of environmental regulation and enforcement.

Managing Your Successful Workforce

Our team of 60 labor and employment attorneys can handle your workforce management strategy including immigration, traditional labor relations, restrictive covenants, employee benefits, wage and hour collective actions and employment counseling. Several of our attorneys have experience working for companies in HR and labor relations positions, so we have first-hand understanding of the challenges you face every day.

You Created It — Protect It. Defend It. Increase Its Value.

Manufacturers thrive on innovation and depend on the protection and value creation of their intellectual property. We offer a suite of services including patent prosecution, trademark and copyright, litigation, post-issuance litigation, strategic patent counseling, licensing and technology transfer, risk reduction strategies, validity, and infringement counsel and representation. Our team of more than 60 attorneys and patent agents have advanced degrees in science and technology and have served as examiners at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Advocating on Your Behalf

Our experienced team of government relations professionals have deep relationships at all levels of local, state, and federal government. We can advocate on your behalf and work with elected officials and regulators to understand your facilities and operations.

Don't Gamble With High-Stakes Litigation

We've consistently earned a "Tier 1" ranking from *U.S. News & World Report – The Best Lawyers in America*® for our litigation practice. Our veteran litigators have spent decades trying complex cases in court. From defending you in regulatory actions to mass tort and personal injury class actions and commercial litigation, we're known for successes in high-stakes, bet-the-company cases in federal and state trial and appellate courts and before administrative agencies and arbitration panels.

ADVANCING OUR CLIENTS' GOALS

Full-Service Counsel for Manufacturers

Environmental compliance, lobbying to obtain state funding, collective bargaining, contract interpretation, and litigation – we're doing this and more in representing an international manufacturer.

A Global Approach in a Shrinking World

In matters ranging from immigration to intellectual property, we worked with a leading global cement and minerals supplier in acquiring the assets of a manufacturing entity that made composite material, in patenting cement manufacturing and mineral processing innovations, and in obtaining immigration visas for foreign personnel to work in the US.

Keeping Your IP Secure

A leading innovator of vinyl products, industrial chemicals, additives, specialty chemicals, fluoropolymers, and technical polymers sought not only patent strategy and protection, but also brought us on for patent counseling and prosecution.

Environmental Compliance and Remediation

To help make things right, we worked with a provider of fluid filtration, separation, and purification systems in Florida on permitting and regulatory compliance, including comprehensive site rehabilitation projects to remediate soil and groundwater contamination from historical manufacturing operations.

Assembling the Components

An NYSE-listed specialty metals fabrication and distribution company wanted to integrate more of its components under its own roof. To achieve this, our attorneys helped them acquire the right precision machining and engineering, additive manufacturing and titanium powder manufacturing companies to round out their in-house capabilities.