



Contract Disputes

Overview

Contracts are not always as straightforward as we may want to believe, and a contract cannot prevent someone from taking certain unwarranted actions. Because of this, disputes involving breaches of contracts are common matters that can result in complex litigation. These circumstances involve an interpretation of the language of the contract and an assessment of all the circumstances surrounding its formation and performance. Although sometimes the answers are clear, oftentimes they require experienced attorneys to assess the dispute and all of its aspects and best advise the parties on their rights, risks and options.

We understand the challenges that businesses regularly face interpreting and litigating contracts. Our attorneys provide sophisticated representation to protect our clients' rights and interests when these challenges arise. We help our clients understand their contractual rights and obligations, identify realistic outcomes, and implement cost-effective strategies to achieve those outcomes. We have extensive experience helping our clients solve these problems by guiding them through informal negotiations, handling alternative dispute resolution methods such as mediation and arbitration and, when necessary, representing them in the courts.

We represent clients in a wide range of areas relating to contract disputes, including:

- Evaluation of contract terms
- Enforcement of contract terms
- Damages cases
- Fraud or misrepresentation
- Contract interference cases
- Shareholder and partnership disputes
- Real estate disputes

We also often work closely with members of our Business Counseling Group in the context of negotiating and drafting our clients' contracts, as our litigation-focused experience can be invaluable in identifying and avoiding future disputes, particularly with respect to terms involving recoverable damages, indemnification, insurance and alternative dispute resolution.

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