

Congressional Oversight and Investigations

For most people, being under investigation in a congressional hearing is unique. It's an anxiety-ridden event, even for those who've faced Congress before. And it puts both your reputation and your company's reputation on the line, not to mention the risks of litigation, adverse publicity, and ensuing stock price falls.

We help you respond to the substantive elements of investigations. For example, we handle document production, present to investigative staff, prepare witnesses for congressional testimony, and more.

We take a holistic approach, bringing legal, legislative, and regulatory experience. Using our insights, gleaned in part from relationships with members and staff, we keep you updated on what's going on behind the scenes.

Understandably, there's unfamiliarity — the processes and procedures for engaging with Congress. A letter from a member of Congress can escalate into a full-blown investigation, then onto a face-off with a regulator, and onto private litigation. So part of our role is to explain the circumstances in which your letter or subpoena from Congress has come up.

Another phase is orienting you on why this is happening, and beyond that, easing your concerns about what Congress or any other investigative body might look to uncover.

Having sat both inside and outside of Congress, we know what

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you can expect and how you should react. Congress likes cooperation and dislikes obstruction. Because we know the sorts of the pressures you can be put under, for example, to disclose information and respond accurately time and again, we make sure you are prepared.

Representative experience

Hogan Lovells represented a high-ranking White House official in congressional and DOJ investigations, involving the White House Travel Office.

We represented a former U.S. Senator and a member of the First Lady's staff, in connection with the congressional investigations into Whitewater.

Our team consulted with a major medical device company in a congressional and related foreign corrupt practices investigation in the U.S. and abroad.

We consulted with an insurer in a hearing before a Domestic Policy Subcommittee of the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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