

Marta A. Thompson

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Biography

Marta Thompson, a senior associate in our Government Contracts Practice Group, helps clients respond to government audits, allegations of misconduct and fraud, and False Claims Act investigations.

She counsels clients on a long list of topics, including compliance obligations associated with federally funded contracts and cooperative agreements and grants, including cost allowability and cost accounting. She advises on regulations such as the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS), OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), and federal agency policy on sponsored research.

In the litigation space, Marta represents clients in bid protests before the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and U.S. Court of Federal Claims. In the international arena, Marta frequently advises research and higher education institutions on international academic and research programs. She has provided best-practice advice and drafted contractual agreements for U.S.-based institutions relating to foreign campuses, dual-degree and study abroad programs, international student recruitment, and other cross-continental operations.



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Practices

Education

Government Contracts

Investigations, White Collar, and
Fraud

Public Procurement

Industries

Education

Aerospace and Defense

Areas of focus

Distance Education

Domestic & International Sponsored

Marta's regulatory practice also includes counseling clients on eligibility requirements for small business set-aside contracts. She assists clients in navigating the Small Business Administration's (SBA) affiliation rules and procurement programs such as the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Service Disabled Veteran Owned (SDVO) programs.

Marta maintains a robust pro bono practice, frequently representing clients in asylum and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) proceedings.

Marta's legal career began before law school when she lived in Kigali, Rwanda, where she conducted genocide investigations for an international human rights organization. While in law school, she served as an associate editor of the *The Catholic University Law Review* and member of the Willem C. Vis international commercial arbitration moot court team.

Representative experience

Represented research institutions in qui tam suits alleging improper effort reporting, indirect cost recovery, and post-retirement benefit accounting.

Successfully defended a Fortune 500 company in bid protests at GAO and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims involving a US\$1.5bn O&M contract.

Guided small business clients through SBA's size and affiliation regulations and size protests at the SBA Office of Hearing and Appeals (OHA).

Latest thinking and events

- Webinar
 - Webinar: The Defense Production Act and the PREP Act: Key tools in the fight against COVID-19
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - The Defense Production Act and the PREP Act: Key tools in the fight against COVID-19

Research

Accreditation and State Licensure

Government Investigations

International Programs

Government Cost Accounting and CAS

Small Business Eligibility and Appeals

False Claims Act and Qui Tam

Sanctions

Tax Exempt

Government Rights in Intellectual Property

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, magna cum laude, 2012

B.A., Emory University, 2008

Memberships

Member, Colorado Bar Association, 2012

Member, Section of International Law, American Bar Association, 2013

Member, Section of Public Contract Law, American Bar Association, 2013

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - ADG Insights: Roadmap for False Claims Act enforcement in 2020 *ADG Insights*
- Webinar
 - Foreign influences on research – the current state of play
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - FCA Guide: 2019 and the road ahead *Hogan Lovells*
- Blog Post
 - VA and SBA Release Complementary Final Rules Updating their Veteran-Owned Small Business Regulations

Bar admissions and qualifications

Colorado

District of Columbia
