



Defence

We are the only firm in the world that offers a top-tier global defence and security practice, as well as the ability to draw upon experienced defence, procurement and infrastructure lawyers throughout the world. We also draw from DLA Piper's broad range of resources to provide advice to the defence industry in the areas of international trade, export controls, corporate transactions, tax and employment.

The lawyers and consultants of DLA Piper offer comprehensive advice to the defence industry to assist clients in accomplishing their business, legal, and political goals. We understand the complexities of contracting with various national departments or ministries of defence and the legal structures and constraints of working with government departmental entities.

As a global firm, we have lawyers with substantial defence experience in Europe, the Eastern Bloc, the Middle East, Asia, Australia and the US.

As the team that delivered one of the first-ever PFIs in the UK defence sector in 1998, we are a longstanding major player in the defence market.

CAPABILITES

Our capability covers:

- strategic alliances;
- procurement models;
- joint ventures;
- prime contracting;
- urgent operational requirements ('UORs');
- government owned, commercially operated structures;
- partnering;
- integrator models;
- security issues including security classifications, security aspects letters and security undertakings (some of our UK team are security cleared); and

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RELATED SERVICES

- Public Private Partnerships and PFI

- the complete spectrum of contractual models the defence government agencies use (for example, in the UK from DEFCONS, JSPs, SOPC4, Model ICT agreement and DEFFORMS).

EXPERIENCE

- UK Military Air Traffic Control - advising Lockheed Martin's Fusion consortium on its bid for the £1.5bn UK Ministry of Defence's project for the design, construction and installation of military air traffic management capability and the provision of certain services in support thereof known as Project Marshall; and
- Assisting a foreign buyer acquiring a US defence contractor to successfully meet the Exon-Florio requirements and maintain the acquired company's defence security clearances.

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Pricecheck Toiletries on Warehouse Expansion Deal

20 June 2020

DLA Piper has advised international wholesaler and distributor of fast-moving consumer goods, Pricecheck Toiletries Limited, on the expansion of their warehouse operation capacity.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

DLA Piper boosts project finance offering with partner hire in London

3 APR 2019

DLA Piper today announces that project finance lawyer Nacim Bounouara has joined the firm as a partner in its Finance and Projects practice, based in London.

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1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.
