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## **CO-CHAIR, GENERAL LITIGATION PRACTICE GROUP**

Dominique Casimir is a *Chambers*-ranked partner at Blank Rome LLP, where she serves as Co-Chair of the General Litigation practice group. She concentrates her practice on addressing the cascade of issues confronting government contractors today, including complex disputes, internal and government investigations, enforcement, litigation, suspension and debarment, and strategic counseling. Dominique's litigation experience is extensive, with notable successes in bid protests at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the Government Accountability Office, and the Federal Aviation Administration Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition, as well as in claims litigation before the Boards of Contract Appeal. She has a proven track record in significant government contracts litigation involving issues such as the statute of limitations, contractor key personnel matters, and the AbilityOne program. Additionally, Dominique has secured arbitration wins in prime-sub disputes and has facilitated efficient, negotiated dispute resolutions for her clients without resorting to litigation.

She maintains a robust and active internal investigations practice, regularly handling ethics- and hotline-related investigations, employee misconduct investigations, alleged procurement fraud, and False Claims Act violations. Her experience includes leading complex, document-intensive internal investigations in response to Civil Investigative Demands and other crisis-driven inquiries. Additionally, Dominique provides regulatory counseling to ensure her clients comply with a broad array of FAR and DFARS requirements, including Department of Defense cybersecurity mandates.

Dominique is regularly advising clients navigating shifts related to the new

presidential administration and executive orders. This includes developing risk mitigation strategies, particularly as it pertains to diversity, equity and inclusion programs.

As a former co-chair and current vice-chair of the ABA Public Contract Law Section's Committee on Debarment and Suspension, Dominique is exceptionally adept at advising clients facing exclusion from government programs in the form of suspension or debarment. She capably leverages decades of experience when advising contractors facing potential exclusion from government programs, including those complex parallel proceedings involving the Department of Justice. Dominique advises clients on mandatory or voluntary disclosures to government entities. She has appeared before the Suspending and Debarring Officials of numerous federal agencies, and routinely advises clients on how best to navigate threats to their eligibility for federal contracts and awards.

### **Client and Peer Recognition**

Dominique's talents and dedication have not gone unnoticed. In particular, Dominique's clients value her assertiveness and her judgment. *Chambers USA* highlights her as "an excellent and practical business-oriented attorney" and "an experienced litigator." *Legal 500 United States* echoes this sentiment, with clients describing her as "a hard-nosed litigator, who will not shy away from a battle when one is needed." As another client has noted, Dominique "pushed back on the government lawyers, in a nice but insistent way, as they were being unreasonable." In 2023, *Legal 500 United States* reported that one of Dominique's clients described that she "showed up to fight for me every day, at any time, and made sure I knew that I was not alone. Dominique made sure that I was well informed and also helped to provide a voice of reason within my disputes that made all of the noise go away."

Over the course of more than 20 years at two leading law firms, Dominique has cultivated a highly desirable mix of talents, skills, judgment, and relationships. She leverages these attributes to provide top-notch client service, helping government contractors address legal risks so they can focus on achieving their business objectives.

### **Select Engagements**

- *United States ex rel. Faulkner v. Bd. of Trustees of Leland Stanford Junior Univ.*, No. 20-CV-00636-VKD, 2024 WL 4982992 (N.D. Cal. Dec. 3, 2024) (successfully defended Stanford University from a *qui tam* suit, obtaining a full declination from the Department of Justice and then winning a subsequent motion to dismiss the underlying False Claims Act complaint).
- *KPMG LLP v. United States and Deloitte & Touche LLP* in successful prosecution of a bid protest; No. 22-866, 2023 WL 4613034 (Fed. Cl. July 3, 2023).
- KPMG LLP, B-420949 and B-420949.2 (Nov. 7, 2022) (successfully represented KPMG LLP in a bid protest challenging the award decision of

- the United States Air Force in a procurement for visible accessible understandable linked trusted (VAULT) subject matter expert support).
- Clear Global Solutions, LLC, B-419402 (Feb. 5, 2021) (successful defense of Department of Energy award to Strativia LLC).
  - Bauer Technologies, Inc. B- 415717.2, B- 415717.3 (June 22, 2018) (successful defense of Defense Information Systems Agency contract awarded to Taurean General Services).
  - Calibre Systems, Inc. B- 414301.3 (September 20, 2017) (successful defense of VA contract awarded to Booz Allen Hamilton).
  - Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, B-412278.7, B-412278.8 (October 4, 2017) (successful defense of DHS contract award to Raytheon in multiple protests alleging OCIs).
  - ManTech Advanced Systems International, Inc., B-413717, Dec. 16, 2016, 2016 CPD ¶ 370.
  - Raytheon Company in successful defense against a bid protest; Lockheed Martin Corp., B-411365.2, Aug. 26, 2015, 2015 CPD ¶ 294.
  - Deloitte Consulting, LLP; Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.; CALIBRE Systems, Inc., B-411884, et seq., 2015 WL 9701026 successfully represented contractor team arrangement protester CALIBRE Systems, Inc./Ernst & Young LLP in bid protest challenge to Defense Health Agency contract award.
  - Motorola Solutions, Inc. in successful defense against a bid protest; Harris Corporation, B-409148.3, B-409148.4, Jul. 30, 2014 CPD ¶ 225.
  - Motorola Solutions, Inc. in successful prosecution of a bid protest; B-409148; B-409148.2, Jan. 28, 2014 2014 CPD ¶ 59.
  - Savvee Consulting, Inc. in successful prosecution of a bid protest; B-408416; B-408416.2, Sep. 28, 2013, 2013 CPD ¶ 231.
  - Raytheon Missile Systems in successful defense against a government claim asserted under the Contract Disputes Act; ASBCA No. 58011, 13-1 BCA ¶ 35241 (Jan. 28, 2013).
  - *Systems Application & Technologies, Inc. v. United States* in successful prosecution of a bid protest; 107 Fed. Cl. 795 (2012).
  - *Raytheon Company v. US* in successful defense against a government claim asserted under the Contract Disputes Act; 104 Fed. Cl. 327 (2012) *recon. denied*, *Raytheon Company v. US*, 105 Fed. Cl. 351 (2012).
  - Raytheon Company in successful prosecution of a bid protest; B-404998, Jul. 25, 2011, 2011 CPD ¶ 232.
  - Columbus Technologies and Services in successful defense against a bid protest; Earth Resources Technology, Inc., B- 403043.2, B- 403043.3, Oct. 18, 2010, 2010 CPD ¶ 248.
  - Mission Essential Personnel in successful defense against a bid protest; WorldWide Language Resources, Inc., B-299315.7, B-299315.8, Aug. 12, 2010, 2010 CPD ¶ 208.

## Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

- United States Court of Federal Claims

## Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association
- Court of Federal Claims Bar Association

## Education

- Georgetown University, BA
- Harvard Law School, JD

## Recognitions

- 2023–2024, Government Contracts Law, listed in *Chambers USA*
- 2023, Section Chair's Special Recognition Award, by the American Bar Association Section of Public Contract Law
- 2017–2024, listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2021–2024, Government Contracts "Next Generation Partner," listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2017–2020, Government Contracts "Next Generation Lawyer," listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2020–2022, listed in Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll
- 2017, listed in *Working Mother of the Year*
- 2016, "Trending 40 Lawyers Under 40," listed in *Legal Bisnow*

## Professional Activities

Dominique serves as a member of the Public Contracts Section of the American Bar Association ("ABA"), as well as vice chair of ABA's Section of Public Contracts Law Committee on Debarment and Suspension and vice chair of their Diversity Committee. She previously served as the Section liaison to the ABA's Commission on Racial & Ethnic Diversity in the Profession. Dominique also serves on the board of the Contract Appeals Bar Association and on the 2025 *Law360* Diversity & Inclusion Editorial Advisory Board, and previously served on the 2022 *Law360* Aerospace & Defense Editorial Advisory Board.

## Languages

- Spanish