
Smith Pachter McWhorter PLC Strengthens Government Contracts Practice with Leading Practitioner

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Smith Pachter McWhorter PLC is pleased to welcome Gregory A. Smith as a member of the Firm. Mr. Smith is well known as a distinguished practitioner of government contract law. He is a former Chair of the American Bar Association Section of Public Contract Law (2000-2001) and now chairs the U.S. Court of Federal Claims Advisory Council. His practice includes representation of clients on cost accounting, defective pricing and contract performance disputes, including terminations, compliance, audits and investigations. He has represented subcontractors and prime contractors extensively in litigation before various courts and boards of contract appeals and has tried complex cases involving shipbuilding and other major claims. Mr. Smith's practice also includes challenges to and defense of contract awards in bid protests before the Government Accountability Office and the federal courts. He also counsels and litigates in the area of security clearances.

Mr. Smith has been listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, and in 2009 he was named a "Top Washington Lawyer" in government contract law by *The Washingtonian* magazine. In 2007, Mr. Smith was selected by the *Washington Business Journal* as one of the three "Top Washington Lawyers" in Government Contracts. In 2005, he was named among Washington's Legal Elite by *Washington SmartCEO* magazine.

Mr. Smith served as law clerk to the Honorable Marion T. Bennett, U.S. Court of Claims (now the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit). He has published numerous articles in government contract journals.

Previously a partner at Cooley LLP and DLA Piper, Mr. Smith received his J.D. from the University of Virginia and his A.B. from Miami University. He is a member of the bars of Virginia and the District of Columbia.