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Leslie A. Harrelson's diverse practice focuses on issues affecting institutions and companies in the education, defense and technology sectors. She counsels clients on regulatory compliance, government contract and legislative-related matters.

Ms. Harrelson advises for-profit and non-profit government contractors and grant recipients on contract and grant administration issues; subcontracting issues; claims, disputes and terminations; and contract compliance issues including, among others, foreign source restrictions, small business eligibility and preferences, and allocation of government rights in and US manufacturing preferences regarding patents, software and technological data.

For exporters, Ms. Harrelson provides guidance to clients regarding the export and import of dual use and military products under the Export Administration Regulations and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

Ms. Harrelson also advises institutions of higher education and educational companies on a variety of issues arising under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Higher Education Act and related regulations. In particular, Ms. Harrelson counsels clients on student and children's privacy issues.

Ms. Harrelson regularly performs due diligence in connection with large and small government contractors in the defense and education industries, where she has represented both divesting companies and acquiring companies. In transactions involving acquisitions by non-US companies, Ms. Harrelson advises on national security considerations and interactions with the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States.

Professional Activities

Ms. Harrelson is a member of the District of Columbia Women's Bar Association and a practitioner board member of the ABA's Public Contract Law Journal.

Solutions

Anti-Discrimination

Government Contracts

National Security

Cross-Border Investigations
and Compliance

Investigations

Cybersecurity and Privacy

Litigation

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, University of Maryland
Francis King Carey School of
Law, 2009

summa cum laude

*Order of the Coif; Editor-in-
Chief, Maryland Law Review*

BA, Philosophy, University of
Missouri, 2004

magna cum laude

ADMISSIONS

New York

District of Columbia

CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Benson Legg, US
District Court for the District
of Maryland, 2009 - 2010