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Peter J. Eyre is a partner and co-chair of Crowell & Moring's Government Contracts Group. Peter was named to BTI Consulting Group's list of "Client Service All-Stars" in 2016 and has been nationally ranked by *Chambers USA* in Government Contracts since 2014, Peter was also named to the *National Law Journal*'s list of "40 Under 40 Rising Stars" in 2014.

Experience

Peter's practice includes a wide range of litigation, counseling, and transactional capabilities, including: compliance reviews; enhancing and implementing compliance programs; due diligence in the transactional context; structuring transactions; dispute resolution; bid protests; complex investigations relating to the civil False Claims Act, the Anti-Kickback Act, the Procurement Integrity Act, and other civil and criminal matters; grants and related requirements; GSA Schedule contracting; contract negotiation and administration; suspension and debarment proceedings; and mandatory disclosures.

Peter is the co-host of the "Fastest 5 Minutes, the Podcast Government Contractors Can't Do Without," which provides a biweekly summary of significant government contracts legal and regulatory developments. The podcast can be found at crowell.com/GovConPodcast.

Peter also serves as the coordinator of the Construction Industry Ethics and Compliance Initiative. Recent engagements include:

Suspension and Debarment

Peter has handled suspension and debarment matters before a wide array of federal agencies, including the Army, Air Force, Navy, Department of Commerce, Environmental Protection Agency, General Services Administration, Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Education, Department of Transportation, Small

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Business Administration, and U.S. Agency for International Development. Representative matters include:

- Represented public company in General Services Administration suspension and debarment proceedings relating to alleged procurement improprieties.
- Represented contractor in Air Force suspension and debarment proceedings relating to counterfeit products.
- Represented environmental remediation company in suspension and debarment proceedings relating to violations of the Clean Water Act.
- Represented government contractor in Army suspension and debarment matter relating to alleged violations of the Procurement Integrity Act.

Government Contracts Counseling and Investigations

- Represented major government contractors in investigations relating to the civil False Claims Act, the Anti-Kickback Act, and the Procurement Integrity Act.
- Represented public company in investigation involving conflict of interest allegations about chief executive officer.
- Represented major government contractor in investigation relating to product substitution.
- Assisted clients in the development, enhancement, and implementation of compliance programs.
- Counseled clients regarding mandatory disclosure obligations and related regulatory reporting processes.
- Counseled clients regarding identification and resolution of organizational conflicts of interest (OCI).

Government Contracts Due Diligence and Transactions

- Represented HP Company in connection with government contracts matters relating to separation and formation of two companies – Hewlett Packard Enterprise (focusing on enterprise services and solutions) and HP Inc. (focusing on printing and personal systems businesses).
- Represented Accenture Federal Services in its acquisition of Agilex Technologies, Inc., a provider of digital solutions for the U.S. federal government.
- Provide government contracts counsel to Vencore (formerly known as The SI Organization) in its purchase of QinetiQ North America, a leading provider of technology and products to defense, security and commercial markets worldwide.
- Provide government contracts counsel to Madison Dearborn Partners in its purchase of LGS Innovations LLC from Alcatel-Lucent, a leading provider of global networking products and services.

Government Contracts Litigation

- Defended protest of DoD award valued at over \$2.8 billion for logistics, support, and sustainment of the MRAP family of vehicles (*CLS Worldwide Support Services, LLC*, B-405298.2, *et al.*, Sept. 11, 2012, 2012 CPD ¶ 257).
- Defended protest of DoD award valued at over \$20 billion for a comprehensive managed health care program (*TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation*, B-401652.12, *et al.*, July 2, 2012, 2012 CPD ¶ 191).

• Represented prime contractor in a 10-day jury trial in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. The dispute between the prime contractor and its subcontractor arose during performance of contracts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

As part of the firm's *pro bono* work with the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI), Peter has participated in delegations to Cote d'Ivoire and Trinidad and Tobago to assist in assessments of the feasibility of presidential debates as part of the campaign process.

Since 2000, Peter has worked in a senior capacity for the Commission on Presidential Debates, the non-partisan entity responsible for producing the general election presidential and vice presidential debates. In 2004, 2008, 2012, and 2016, he served as senior advisor to the Commission, where his portfolio included campaign negotiations and media relations. In 2008, 2012, and 2016, Peter also served as a spokesman for the Commission and appeared on numerous local and national broadcasts and was quoted widely in local and national newspapers, including the *New York Times* and the *International Herald Tribune*.

Prior to attending law school, Peter directed the business development activities of SmartBrief, Inc. SmartBrief partners with leading trade associations and corporations to offer daily news content targeted to specific industries.

Admissions/Affiliations

Admitted to practice: District of Columbia, Massachusetts, U.S. District Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

Recognition

- In 2016, BTI Consulting Group's list of "Client Service All-Stars."
- Since 2014, Chambers USA: American's Leading Lawyers for Business for Government Contracts nationwide.
- In 2014, Peter was named to The National Law Journal's list of "40 Under 40 Rising Stars."
- In 2013, Peter was recognized by *Law360* as a "<u>Rising Star</u>" in Government Contracts Law.
- In 2008, Peter was recognized by *Bisnow* as one of D.C.'s top 30 lawyers under age 30.

Professional Activities and Memberships

- D.C. Bar: Government Contracts and Litigation Section
- American Bar Association

Education

- Williams College, B.A., magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa
- Harvard Law School, J.D. (2005) cum laude

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