



Arent Fox was founded in 1942 on a simple idea: high-quality legal counsel and personalized business advice could make all the difference. We don't just flag problems, we offer solutions. That's why we are a trusted advisor to the world's top companies. When you work with Arent Fox, you get nimble, cost-effective service from a firm that offers a deep bench and large law resources.

Arent Fox is a proud partner of ANVCA, and we look forward to continuing the work we do on behalf of native corporations.

### **Government Relations:**

Who is most knowledgeable about the inner workings of Capitol Hill? Former members and their staff. We have assembled a bipartisan and bicameral team of lawyers and policy professionals with experience at the highest levels of Democratic and Republican politics and government service.

The team that native corporations can depend on includes a former US Senator, a former Member of the US House of Representatives, a former ambassador, and a former member of the board of directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, as well as lawyers and government relations professionals who have worked for members of both houses of Congress and numerous government agencies. The depth and breadth of our experience allows our group to handle virtually any public policy issue affecting our clients.

Arent Fox has its roots in government relations and is one of the nation's most experienced, effective, and respected lobbying organizations. Arent Fox was among the first Washington, DC law firms to have a specially designated practice group consisting of attorneys and other professionals who focus on working with Congress and the Executive Branch. We represent clients before government entities on the federal, state, and local levels to help them achieve their goals.

### *How We Can Help*

- Environment
- Tax
- Health Care (Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement, HHS program funding, public health generally)
- Public Buildings
- Trade
- Energy
- Transportation
- Higher Education

On the federal level, the Arent Fox Government Relations team frequently finds that resolving a public policy issue requires a multidisciplinary approach that combines legislative and regulatory components. The Government Relations team regularly works with attorneys in other Arent Fox practice groups who have subject matter experience before different regulatory bodies. In addition to resolving legislative and regulatory issues through both formal and informal proceedings, the Government Relations team assists clients to identify opportunities for federal funding.

### *Advocacy Services*

We provide a variety of specific services to our clients on the federal level:

- Monitoring, analyzing, and reporting on legislative and regulatory developments.
- Affecting the development of government policies, legislation, and regulations by direct and indirect lobbying of members of Congress, congressional staff, and administrative officials.
- Drafting legislation, position papers, and testimony for congressional hearings.
- Assisting in the preparation of federal grant, loan, and loan guarantee applications.
- Preparing comments on proposed rules and regulations.
- Preparing witnesses for hearings and testifying on behalf of clients before Congress and regulatory agencies.
- Defending clients in congressional and Executive Branch investigations.

Immediately following the recent mid-term elections, our Government Relations group leaders, including former Senator Byron Dorgan and former Congressman Philip English, published in-depth election-results analysis – which can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

### **Government Enforcement:**

Arent Fox is also a destination firm for companies, executives, and public officials when the stakes are at their highest. Our Government Enforcement team is second to none – with two former United States Attorneys, a former State Department Official and Presidential Envoy, and scores of former prosecutors and talented attorneys who have spent their professional lives negotiating multi-faceted problems throughout the world.

In today's increasingly regulated world, we offer critical and timely advice; deal with the toughest financial regulators and enforcement agencies in the world; solve the most complex cross-border problems; conduct sensitive internal investigations; provide compliance and ethics training; and guide you through complex governmental audits and investigations.

The Government Enforcement team keeps current on the topics facing the industry – and frequently publishes articles on their “Investigations Blog,” which can be found [here](#).

Arent Fox is a full-service law firm that offers a variety of practice and industry specialties. A full list and description of these can be found on our [website](#). Arent Fox attorneys and industry experts are constantly looking out for what's next to help clients stay on top of trends and in front of the competition. All of our practice blogs can be found [here](#). If you would like further information on our Government Relations and Government Enforcement practices, or any of the other services that Arent Fox provides, please contact [Jeffrey R. Makin](#) at 213.443.7521 or at [jeffrey.makin@arentfox.com](mailto:jeffrey.makin@arentfox.com).