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Luke Meier is a seasoned litigator and counselor with wide-ranging experience in government procurement law. He represents contractors in contract disputes and claims, bid protests, and False Claims Act litigation.

He has extensive experience in contracts with the Department of Energy, and has managed a variety of matters for contractors across the DOE complex—including responses to audits, whistleblower complaints, and Civil Investigative Demands; cost allowability disputes; claims; bid protests; and prime/subcontractor disputes—at sites including Hanford, Oak Ridge, Savannah River, the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, and several National Laboratories. Luke has deep familiarity with the legal services requirements of 10 C.F.R. 719 and issues unique to M&O contractors.

Luke has managed the response to numerous DCAA and IG audits, and has successfully defended several government contractors from allegations of fraudulent mischarging. Luke's regulatory compliance counseling includes advice regarding the Buy American and Trade Agreements Acts, GSA schedule contracting, and ethics and internal controls requirements. His litigation experience includes complex commercial disputes in federal court and scores of bid protests before the Government Accountability Office and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

Prior to law school, Luke worked for a major defense contractor as an on-site consultant at the Department of Homeland Security's Office for Domestic Preparedness.

Select Engagements

- Successfully defended AECOM/URS from a False Claims Act case brought

by the U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida, obtaining summary dismissal of a complaint filed by the Department of Justice.

- Helped an incumbent overturn an award to a competitor of a five-billion-dollar Department of Energy contract, obtaining favorable GAO decision leading to a reopened procurement.
- Overturned the Navy's proposed debarment of an individual alleged to have violated the Procurement Integrity Act.
- Successfully defended an IT contractor from a GSA claim seeking \$20 million in repayment based on alleged mischarging of subcontractor labor.
- Lead counsel for engineering services contractor in successful post-award protest of Navy shipbuilding procurement.
- Lead counsel for contractor in successful post-award protest of GSA procurement for human resources services.
- Represented a state utility in a successful indemnification claim against the Army Corps of Engineers, resulting in an award of \$234 million in costs, plus more than \$100 million in interest.

Admissions

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

Memberships

- American Bar Association

Education

- Brown University, BA
- University of Michigan Law School, JD

Recognitions

- 2021, "Rising Star," listed by *The National Law Journal*
- 2020, "Rising Star" in Government Contracts, listed in *Law360*
- 2023, Washington, D.C., "Super Lawyer" in Government Contracts, listed in *Super Lawyers*
- 2015–2021, Washington, D.C., "Rising Star" in Government Contracts, listed in *Super Lawyers*
- 2019–2023, listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2019, 2022, listed in Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll

Professional Activities

Luke serves as a vice chair of the Bid Protest Committee of the American Bar

Association's Public Contract Law Section.