

Attorneys in our national security practices have successfully represented clients in some of the largest and most complex transactions reviewed before the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), the Defense Security and Counterintelligence Agency (DCSA, formerly the Defense Security Service) and Team Telecom — an executive branch group comprising the U.S. Departments of Justice, Defense and Homeland Security — as well as investment reviews governed by the Investment Canada Act (ICA) and foreign investment control (FIC) regimes in Asian and European jurisdictions. Skadden is recognized by Chambers USA as having a “strong national security practice housing respected practitioners who offer in-depth expertise on matters such as compliance, reviews and investigations.”

CFIUS

Skadden is one of few large law firms with integrated CFIUS and corporate practices. We counsel clients — companies, private equity funds, venture capital firms, and sovereign wealth and other government-related funds — on structuring and negotiating transactions to anticipate and address regulatory concerns in the earliest stages of transaction planning. The group holds deep knowledge and experience in numerous industry sectors, including technology, energy, real estate, financial services, health care and pharma, manufacturing, natural resources, transportation, critical infrastructure, consumer goods, robotics and autonomous systems, vehicle manufacturing, travel and leisure, chemicals, aerospace and defense, and government services. The team is recognized by *Chambers USA 2020* for its “work with a diverse collection of U.S. and international companies, aided by its phenomenal strength in M&A.” Skadden is the only firm ranked in the top tier by *Chambers Global 2020* for both International Trade: CFIUS Experts and Corporate M&A.

International Foreign Investment Reviews

Skadden has extensive experience with non-U.S. national security review processes, including in Canada, the European Union, the U.K., Russia and Asian jurisdictions. We have counseled a variety of entities, based in the U.S. as well as overseas, in a broad range of transactions, including representing purchasers, sellers, minority investors, financial institutions, private equity consortia and other institutional investors in some of the largest and most complex international transactions.

International Trade

Skadden represents clients worldwide with respect to a wide array of matters involving international trade in goods, software, technology and services, as well as investments in the United States and abroad. We offer a unique range of services to help clients manage the risks and maximize the opportunities of an increasingly complex and challenging international trade landscape. Our attorneys have worked at the highest levels of the U.S. government and have extensive contacts with key trade officials in the administration, Congress, the diplomatic community, trade and foreign ministries around the globe and major international trade organizations.

Cybersecurity, Privacy and Sensitive Technologies

For over 20 years, Skadden has added value to clients by helping them navigate the rapidly changing cybersecurity, privacy and technology landscapes to minimize their legal risk, and assisting them to maximize their revenue opportunities. Our team addresses the full range of cybersecurity challenges, including board and leadership counseling, cybersecurity preparedness reviews, incident response, federal government engagement, and regulatory compliance. In addition to the full scope of traditional cybersecurity legal support, Skadden also specializes in guiding clients to address the complex issues at the intersection of technology, privacy, national security, intelligence and law enforcement. Based on extensive experience working with U.S. and foreign government agencies and regulators, we identify the legal risks associated with cyber and other technology-related security concerns and assemble and coordinate multidiscipline teams of advisers across the firm to address the universe of legal, regulatory and legislative issues faced by clients.

National Security

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Government Investigations

Skadden has counseled clients on congressional investigations, classified investigations and stored-data access requests. We also advise on lawful surveillance matters related to federal statutes including the Wiretap Act, Electronic Communications Privacy Act, Stored Communications Act, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act and pen/trap statutes. We assist clients — especially those at the intersection of technology and national security — in engaging with law and national security officials in the U.S. and around the globe.

Aerospace, Defense and Government Services

We regularly advise clients on transactions and other matters that involve the aerospace, defense, government contracting industries as well as related regulatory considerations, sensitive technologies and national security issues. Our capabilities are backed by years of experience, both inside the federal government and in the private sector, navigating complex federal requirements in critical business sectors.