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Devon Hewitt has over 20 years' experience in the field of government contracts, representing small, mid-tier and large government contractors. She advises clients on a wide range of government contracting issues including FAR compliance; small business contracting programs; intellectual property and data rights; GSA Schedule; the Service Contract Act; noncompete, nonsolicitation and nondisclosure agreements; subcontracts and teaming arrangements; joint ventures; FOIA; due diligence and novations; contract claims; codes of ethics and business conduct; mandatory and voluntary disclosures; suspension and debarment; terminations; and government audits and investigations.

Ms. Hewitt is also a litigator and has represented clients in more than 100 protests before federal agencies, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, and the Government Accountability Office. She is one of the few attorneys that has argued bid protest appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. In addition, Ms. Hewitt represents clients in subcontract and other dispute matters in civil courts and arbitrations. Prior to joining Protorae Law, Ms. Hewitt was a partner at Piliero Mazza in DC and a partner in the Government Contracts practice of Pillsbury, a large, multi-national law firm.

Ms. Hewitt has authored numerous publications and taught a variety of courses on government contracts. She has served as a guest speaker for seminars sponsored by the National Contract Management Association, the Professional Services Council, the Washington Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel, the Government Technology & Services Coalition, the Public Contracts Section of the American Bar Association, the Society of Military Engineers and other industry groups. Ms. Hewitt authored a treatise on Small Business Contracting Programs, which was published by Thompson Reuters in two parts at the end of 2010. In 2012, Aspatore Books published the 2012 edition of its popular "Inside the Minds" series for government contractors which included a chapter written by Ms. Hewitt. Ms. Hewitt also is a columnist for *Bloomberg BNA's Federal Contracts Report* and a frequent blogger on government contracts issues.

Ms. Hewitt is a member of the Board of the Small Emerging Contractors Advisory Forum (SECAF) and currently serves as Chair of its Legislative and Regulatory Committee. Ms. Hewitt has been active in the government contracts bar, serving as a Council member for the ABA's Public Contract Law Section, as Chair of the section's Committee on Small Business, as an editor of the section's publication, *The Procurement Lawyer*, and as a guest editor of the section's publication on *Service and Supply Subcontract Flowdowns*.

Ms. Hewitt received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Virginia School of Law, where she was an editor of the *Journal of Law and Politics* and a member of the school's National Moot Court team. Following law school, she clerked for the Honorable Jose A. Fusté of the U.S. District Court for Puerto Rico. Ms. Hewitt graduated *magna cum laude* and *Phi Beta Kappa* from Smith College.



Practice Teams

- Government Contracts
- Business Transactions

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law, J.D.
- Smith College, B.A.

Bar Admissions

- Virginia
- District of Columbia