

Marta A. Thompson

Senior Associate
Washington, D.C.

Biography

Marta Thompson helps clients respond to government audits, allegations of misconduct and fraud, and False Claims Act investigations.

She counsels clients on a long list of topics, including compliance obligations associated with federally funded contracts and cooperative agreements and grants, including cost allowability and cost accounting. She advises on regulations such as the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS), OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), and federal agency policy on sponsored research.

In the litigation space, Marta represents clients in bid protests before the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and U.S. Court of Federal Claims. In the international arena, Marta frequently advises research and higher education institutions on international academic and research programs. She has provided best-practice advice and drafted contractual agreements for U.S.-based institutions relating to foreign campuses, dual-degree and study abroad programs, international student recruitment, and other cross-continental operations.

Marta's regulatory practice also includes counseling clients on eligibility requirements for small business



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Practices

Education

Government Contracts

Investigations, White Collar, and
Fraud

Public Procurement

Industries

Education

Aerospace and Defense

Areas of focus

Distance Education

Domestic & International Sponsored

set-aside contracts. She assists clients in navigating the Small Business Administration's (SBA) affiliation rules and procurement programs such as the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Service Disabled Veteran Owned (SDVO) programs.

Marta maintains a robust pro bono practice, frequently representing clients in asylum and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) proceedings.

Marta's legal career began before law school when she lived in Kigali, Rwanda, where she conducted genocide investigations for an international human rights organization. While in law school, she served as an associate editor of the *The Catholic University Law Review* and member of the Willem C. Vis international commercial arbitration moot court team.

Representative experience

Represented research institutions in qui tam suits alleging improper effort reporting, indirect cost recovery, and post-retirement benefit accounting.

Successfully defended a Fortune 500 company in bid protests at GAO and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims involving a US\$1.5bn O&M contract.

Guided small business clients through SBA's size and affiliation regulations and size protests at the SBA Office of Hearing and Appeals (OHA).

Awards and rankings

- Government: Government Contracts, Recommended, *Legal 500 US*, 2020

Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - FCA Podcast Series: 2020 and the road ahead
Hogan Lovells
- Press Releases

Research

Accreditation and State Licensure

Government Investigations

International Programs

Government Cost Accounting and CAS

Small Business Eligibility and Appeals

False Claims Act and Qui Tam

Sanctions

Tax Exempt

Government Rights in Intellectual Property

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, magna cum laude, 2012

B.A., Emory University, 2008

Memberships

Member, Colorado Bar Association, 2012

Member, Section of International Law, American Bar Association, 2013

Member, Section of Public Contract Law, American Bar Association, 2013

- False Claims Act enforcement a concern for businesses across sectors amid change in administration, coronavirus relief
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - The False Claims Act Guide: 2020 and the road ahead *Hogan Lovells*
- Webinar
 - Webinar: The Defense Production Act and the PREP Act: Key tools in the fight against COVID-19
- Insights
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- Webinar
 - Foreign influences on research – the current state of play

Bar admissions and qualifications

Colorado

District of Columbia
