

Commercial Law and Public Procurement

The Commercial Team at TSol handles non-contentious commercial matters for Departments and agencies.

Our specialist expertise

Using our experience of a wide range of often complex commercial deals for the public sector, we work with in-house lawyers, procurement practitioners, policy units, projects and programmes to produce robust, business-like relationships ranging from straightforward purchasing contracts to long-term strategic alliances and partnering arrangements. We advise on all aspects of public procurement and other areas of law and policy that affect central government's relationship with the private sector. We offer flexible ways of working with clients, whether in a programme or project context (including Prince II project and programme management techniques) or for smaller scale contractual arrangements.

Our services include advice and assistance on

- Contracts
- Public Procurement Procedures
- E-Commerce
- IT Law and Contracts
- TUPE
- Information Law
- Intellectual Property Rights
- State Aids
- Confidentiality/Security Issues
- Support to Negotiations and Contract Management
- Risk management
- Framework Agreements
- Shared Services

to help central government build robust, effective relationships with the private sector.

Our experience

Our lawyers have experience of working within government departments and agencies and understand the unique drivers, constraints and sensitivities of central government. We have a number of security-cleared lawyers, to Security Check (SC) and Developed Vetting (DV).

How we add value

We share our clients' commitment to meeting the Shared Services and wider Efficiency Agenda originally triggered by the Gershon review and we focus our efforts on providing value for money support. Sometimes clients just need advice on a particular aspect of a deal. At other times they need sustained support and assistance including assistance with the procurement strategy; choice of award procedure; contract notice; ITT; PQQ; evaluation of bids and the negotiation, drafting and management of the contract over its lifetime.

As well as commercial legal expertise (informed by our own private sector experience), we ensure that our clients have the benefit of our network of contacts across Whitehall, covering both the legal and policy aspects of commercial transactions from PFI deals to FOIA requests.

(Where external legal support is needed, we have a unique knowledge and understanding of the legal services market through our close involvement in the HMG legal services framework run under the Catalist badge. We can help clients quickly select the right firm for the deal and can arrange mini-competitions).

Our clients

We advise a number of Government Departments as well as Executive Agencies and other public sector bodies. These range from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Cabinet Office to the Home Office, the Teacher Training Agency and the Ministry of Justice.

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