

## **UK and EU public law and policy**

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Hogan Lovells' dedicated UK and EU Public Law and Policy team is recognised as the "first port of call for smart, business-minded lawyers" (Chambers UK). Our team advises both private and public sector clients on the full range of public law and policy issues, notably in heavily-regulated industries such as financial services, gambling, healthcare, pharmaceuticals, telecoms, tobacco, transport and utilities.

Described as being "at the forefront of judicial review" (Legal 500), we have substantial experience of acting in the most high profile and complex administrative and public law cases before the UK and European courts. The breadth and depth of this experience means that we are uniquely well-placed to understand and advise on the legal and commercial complexities, and political sensitivities, that such cases involve.

Combining our dispute resolution experience with that in public policy and parliamentary affairs, freedom of information and human rights, we offer our clients an integrated and seamless service:

- identifying and analysing policy, legislative and regulatory proposals
- advising on public decision-making and governance processes
- deploying the full range of policy and legal arguments and strategies throughout the public decision-making process and in any subsequent legal challenges to secure robust and effective policy and regulatory decisions by public bodies.

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## **Our services for the private sector**

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Identifying and analysing regulatory and policy proposals at a domestic and EU level

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Advising on engagement with Government departments, regulators and the EU institutions, including:

- engagement strategy consultation responses
  - formal and informal oral and written advocacy
  - deploying legal arguments and tactics and laying the foundations for legal challenges
  - using freedom of information requests
  - EU and UK legislative procedures
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Legislative interpretation and drafting

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Challenging public decisions at both EU and UK level, by way of:

- judicial review
  - human rights claims
  - statutory appeals
  - public procurement challenges
  - complaints to the European and UK Parliamentary Ombudsmen
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Advising on freedom of information, including:

- the application and use of, and protection from, FOIA, the EIRs and the EU Public Access Regulation
  - formulating requests for information
  - appeals to the Information Commissioner and Tribunal
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## **Our services for the public sector**

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Advising on issues relating to proposed policy developments

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Advising on decision-making processes and compliance, including:

- consultation obligations and impact assessments
  - internal decision-making procedures, codes of practice and governance arrangements
  - formal and informal communication with stakeholders
  - statutory appeals and other complaints mechanisms
  - human rights issues
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Legislative interpretation and drafting

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Defending challenges to public decisions at both EU and UK level, by way of:

- judicial review
  - human rights claims
  - statutory appeals
  - public procurement challenges
  - complaints to the European and UK Parliamentary Ombudsmen
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Advising on freedom of information, including:

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*Chambers UK*

*“Paul Dacam is commended for his experience, common sense and practical engagement with regulatory issues. Describing him as ‘responsive and diligent,’ sources agree that he can be relied upon to deliver ‘wise, balanced and informed’ advice.”*

*Chambers UK*

*“Sources identify Charles Brasted as ‘a most impressive and personable lawyer with a pragmatic approach’.”*

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