

## Chris Forgues

Senior Associate  
Washington, D.C.

### Biography

Chris Forgues provides business-oriented legal and scientific solutions to food and agriculture companies and trade associations.

Chris advises clients on state and federal regulatory issues that arise throughout the entire food supply chain and production line, ranging from U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) enforcement actions and federal investigations to regulatory compliance, import and export issues, litigation support, comment preparation, advertising disputes, and labeling issues.

Chris's background in life science (chemistry and pharmacology) assists her in her science-based food law practice. Chris's unique educational background and regulatory scientist experience provide valuable context to complex scientific issues as they relate to the governing regulatory requirements.

When she joined Hogan Lovells, Chris brought with her more than nine years of regulatory consulting experience. A part-time student by night and a regulatory scientist by day, Chris worked throughout law school at a firm in Washington, D.C., focusing on product review, development, and post-marketing in the life sciences sphere, with experience handling matters under the FDA, USDA, Environmental



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### Practices

Administrative and Public Law

Consumer Law

Food Law

Government Relations and Public Affairs

Marketing and Advertising

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### Industries

Consumer

Life Sciences and Health Care

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Protection Agency (EPA), Federal Trade Commission (FTC), National Advertising Division (NAD), and Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), as well as state regulatory bodies.

## Representative experience

Resolved foreign client import alert for pesticide residues in oil products.\*

Resolved NAD challenge on distinct dietary supplement claims, with no request for change or removal.\*

Close-out for major retailers of 483 Notices, Warning Letters, and AMS OGC grading issue.\*

\*Matter handled prior to joining Hogan Lovells.

## Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - FDA holds public meeting on “A New Era of Smarter Food Safety” to further FSMA implementation *A Seat at the Table*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - FSMA Implementation: FDA Launches Food Defense Plan Builder 2.0 *HL Food Law*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - FDA announces reinspection and VQIP fees for Fiscal Year 2020
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - FSIS Issues Compliance Guideline on Kit Labeling
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - USDA Withdraws Final Rule on Organic Livestock and Poultry Practices
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - U.S. Cattleman’s Association Submits Petition Regarding Labeling of Synthetic and Lab-Grown Meat

## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., The Catholic University of America, 2015

M.S., Georgetown University, 2008

B.S., College of William & Mary, 2007

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Colorado

Missouri

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