

Government Affairs

As public and private entities work with federal and state governments, Best Best & Krieger LLP (BBK) is helping them to navigate challenges, influence policy, obtain funding and get their voices heard.

The practice works to utilize the nexus of law, policy and advocacy to ensure success for our clients. With meaningful relationships that span all branches of government, the BBK team ensures all avenues are explored to advance our clients' goals.

An Unrivaled Team

Recognizing that public policy matters involve a complex mix of legal, legislative and regulatory considerations, often at multiple levels of government, BBK's unparalleled substantive knowledge about our clients' issues is key to achieving their goals while remaining at the forefront of issues that could challenge clients' priorities.

Our Government Affairs team is structured as a multi-disciplinary, bi-partisan group. We bring together legislative advocates, policy advisors, subject matter-focused attorneys and litigators with decades of experience to skillfully manage the interplay of laws, policies, regulations, economic circumstances and competing interests to promote and protect our clients' positions. This gives our clients a single integrated team to rely on who can move their issues through state and federal legislative chambers, federal and state regulatory agencies and the legal system. Team members have held high-ranking positions in the White House, the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, the

FCC, the U.S. EPA, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Council on Environmental Quality, Federal Maritime Commission, in state government, industry trade and local government advocacy organizations, and in the private sector.

We believe comprehensive strategic planning is the key to advocating before federal and state governments and in heavily regulated areas such as water, environmental and natural resources, infrastructure development and telecommunications. Part of that strategic plan involves long-term relationship building with key decision makers, including members of the U.S. Congress, California State Assembly and Senate, legislative staff, and other key government stakeholders.

**Advisors and advocates
navigating the nexus of
law, policy, and regulation**

Our Services

BBK's Government Affairs team represents our clients' positions on complex policy issues to decision makers and key stakeholders. We devise innovative funding techniques and help clients develop actionable goals and implement strategic



legislative action plans. Additionally, we assist clients by:

- Helping them obtain funding for vital infrastructure projects
- Enhancing client relationships with federal and state officials, staff and administrators
- Protecting client interests at risk from changing laws, regulations and policies
- Assisting in expediting permitting, reviews, authorizations and execution of infrastructure projects
- Communicating and advocating their interests to elected representatives, key committee members,

agencies and other individuals garnering their support and resolving conflicts, issues and concerns

- Advising on, representing and preparing clients to testify at legislative, executive branch and regulatory meetings
- Handling strategic communications with those in government, the media and the public

As a nationally recognized leader on water and environmental and natural resources issues, BBK has worked on all of the major national environmental legislation, advocated for new laws and obtained unprecedented funding for client projects.



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