

Public Law Litigation

Straight Talk to Resolve Public Law Litigation

Lawyers in our Public Law litigation practice group counsel governmental and quasi-governmental entities regarding the many litigation challenges that occur in the public sector. They have in-depth experience assisting public bodies with controversies that result in litigation. Several of our lawyers are former city attorneys and provide a wealth of knowledge on conflict prevention and dispute resolution.

Concerns about public perceptions often affect decision-making in this arena. We are experienced in managing these issues within a strategic framework.

Representative litigation issues that we have handled for clients include:

- Represented City of Houston in the annexation of Kingwood
- Counseled Houston METRO in litigation concerning the location of rail lines
- Defended Houston Independent School District against various federal claims in which parents challenged the way the school district planned to spend the proceeds from bonds
- Represented numerous clients in environmental and flooding claims against local governments
- Handled a series of procurement and affirmative action lawsuits brought against the City of Austin

Public Law Litigation Experience

Our public sector litigation practice is active in state and federal courts, at both the trial and appellate levels. We regularly handle specialized and high-profile disputes involving:

- Voting rights
- Civil rights
- Contract disputes
- Construction and commercial litigation
- Tort litigation
- Election contests
- Annexation and municipal incorporation
- Land-use disputes, including zoning, deed restriction, sign control and other regulatory matters

In the area of disputed property rights issues, Andrews Kurth has extensive experience in eminent domain matters. We have represented public and private clients in connection with the condemnation of property for:

- Street extensions and widenings
- Parks
- Railroad lines
- Pipelines
- Light rail lines
- Telecommunications facilities
- Sports venue facilities
- Transmission lines

As skilled trial advocates, Andrews Kurth lawyers bring a practical, proven and strategic approach to resolve disputes involving public law issues.