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Practice Areas

Government Contracts

False Claims Act

Native American Law & Tribal Advocacy

Bid Protests

Education

Georgetown University Law Center,
J.D., 1986

Tulane University, B.A., 1983, *cum*
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University of Madrid, *Junior Year*
Abroad Honors Program, 1982

Bar/Court Admissions

District of Columbia

Maryland

Florida

U.S. District Court, Southern District of
Florida

U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

U.S. District Court, District of Maryland

Tony has over 30 years of experience representing government contractors and commercial businesses. His practice encompasses all aspects of federal government contracting. He also works closely with the firm's Business & Transactions Group on corporate transactions and the Labor & Employment Group in the highly regulated market of government contracting.

Tony counsels clients on a wide range of complex legal and regulatory matters, including (i) protests and claims against the federal government; (ii) commercial and contractual disputes; (iii) investigations and compliance audits; (iv) suspension and debarment proceedings; and (v) entity formation, including joint ventures, operating agreements, and shareholder agreements.

Tony primarily represents government contractors interested in pursuing set-aside opportunities under SBA's small business programs - the 8(a), HUBZone, SDVOSB, WOSB, and All Small Mentor-Protégé programs. Tony advises firms on teaming, joint ventures, and positioning themselves to defend awards from size, status, and bid protests. His practice extends to assisting firms with compliance with the FAR and rules applicable to all small business contracting programs. Tony's practice also encompasses the representation of Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations, and their government contracting subsidiaries.

Tony is fluent in Spanish.