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Today, it seems like nothing is simple or uncontested. In an instant, a businesses deal can become bogged down in politics, overwhelmed by regulation or sidetracked by a bureaucrat.

But, it doesn't have to be that way. With sound advice from experienced lawyers who understand the process and are respected "on both sides of the aisle," business leaders and professionals can navigate the increasingly complicated and often adversarial intersection of business and government.

More than lobbying

Don't make the mistake of thinking that government and public policy is all about lobbying. Sure, some clients want help getting laws passed and regulations changed. But, that's only a part of it.

Virtually every business in every industry can need help in this area. A few examples:

- In real estate and construction, zoning and permitting issues often arise at critical times, demanding quick and efficient action.
- In health care and pharmaceuticals, state inspectors and federal regulators can come calling at any time.
- In human resources, immigration audits and wage and hour checks can be unannounced.
- In manufacturing, work on incentive deals needs to begin long before sites are selected.

A Veteran Team

While virtually all of the law firm's attorneys are touched by government and public policy in some way, our core Public Policy and Governmental Affairs Group is headed by Bob Coble in South Carolina and Alexander "Sandy" Sands in North Carolina. Coble served as Columbia's mayor from 1990 until 2010. Sands was elected to four terms in the North Carolina Senate. Coble and Sands organize and manage lawyer teams built specifically for individual clients and engagements. They regularly call on firm attorneys including former South Carolina Revenue Commissioners Rick Reames and

Burnie Maybank and former North Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice Beverly Lake.

Nexsen Pruet prides itself on being proactive on behalf of its clients in the government and public policy area. In addition to the firm's weekly updates during the South Carolina legislative session, we regularly host webinars and in-person events to educate clients and contacts about legal and legislative developments in North and South Carolina.

Experience

Mackrell International
Rural America Bond Program
Worldwide IP Protection
Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center

News

12.12.2019 | Media Mention
Sam Johnson Featured in University of South Carolina Alumnus Spotlight

08.15.2019 | News from Nexsen Pruet
76 Nexsen Pruet Attorneys Named to 2020 Best Lawyers in America® List

10.25.2018
Nexsen Pruet's Economic Development Attorneys Among the Best in the South

Insights

03.29.2021 | Article
NC Legislative Update: March 29, 2021

02.19.2021 | Article
NC Legislative Update: February 19, 2021

11.09.2020
The Environment 2024: Prognostications on Environmental Regulation in the Biden Era

11.06.2020
NC Legislative Update: Election Recap, November 4, 2020

09.04.2020
NC Legislative Update September 4, 2020

08.06.2020
North Carolina's Phase II Extended Five Weeks

07.09.2020

NC Legislative Update July 9, 2020

06.30.2020

NC Legislative Update for June 30, 2020

06.22.2020

NC Legislative Update for June 22, 2020

06.12.2020

NC Legislative Update June 12, 2020

06.05.2020

North Carolina Legislative Update - June 5, 2020

05.29.2020

NC Legislative Update: May 29, 2020

05.07.2020

North Carolina Legislative Update May 7, 2020

05.04.2020

North Carolina Legislative Update - May 4, 2020

04.27.2020

NC Legislative Update: April 27, 2020

04.14.2020

NC Legislative Update: April 14, 2020

04.03.2020

NC Legislative Update: April 3, 2020

01.13.2020

Commandment #9: Don't Expect Immediate Resolution - Investigations May Last For Years

11.18.2019

Commandment #8: Don't Lie - Tell the Truth (to Law Enforcement, the Media, AND YOUR OWN ATTORNEY!)

11.15.2019

NC Legislative Update: November 15, 2019

11.12.2019

USDA Releases New Rules on Hemp Production

11.05.2019

Commandment #7: Don't Talk to the Media? Maybe, Maybe Not

11.01.2019

NC Legislative Update: November 1, 2019

10.25.2019

NC Legislative Update: October 25, 2019

10.18.2019

NC Legislative Update: October 18, 2019

10.11.2019

NC Legislative Update: October 11, 2019

10.04.2019

NC Legislative Update: October 4, 2019

09.27.2019

NC Legislative Update: September 27, 2019

09.20.2019

NC Legislative Update: September 20, 2019

09.19.2019

Commandment #6: Don't Talk to Law Enforcement- Maybe, Maybe Not

09.13.2019

NC Legislative Update: September 13, 2019

09.06.2019

NC Legislative Update: September 6, 2019

08.30.2019

NC Legislative Update: August 30, 2019

08.29.2019

Outrageous Requirements for Foreign Workers Pushing Business Away

08.23.2019

NC Legislative Update: August 23, 2019

08.22.2019

Commandment #5: Don't Be Too Nonchalant- Take It Seriously

08.16.2019

NC Legislative Update: August 16, 2019

08.15.2019

Commandment #4: Don't Delay Employee Interviews- and Memorialize the Statements

08.09.2019

NC Legislative Update: August 9, 2019

08.09.2019

Commandment #3: Don't Delete - Collect Data

08.02.2019

NC Legislative Update: August 2, 2019

07.26.2019

NC Legislative Update: July 26, 2019

07.19.2019

NC Legislative Update: July 19, 2019

07.18.2019

Commandment #2: Don't Panic. Be Calm. And Don't Self-Medicat!

07.12.2019

NC Legislative Update: July 12, 2019

07.11.2019

Commandment #1: Don't Wait: Corporate Internal Investigations

07.03.2019

NC Legislative Update: July 3, 2019

06.28.2019

NC Legislative Update: June 28, 2019

06.21.2019

Ten Commandments on What NOT to do in a Governmental Investigation

06.21.2019

NC Legislative Update: June 21, 2019

06.07.2019

NC Legislative Update: June 7, 2019

05.31.2019

NC Legislative Update: May 31, 2019

05.24.2019

NC Legislative Update: May 24, 2019

05.17.2019

NC Legislative Update: May 17, 2019

05.10.2019

NC Legislative Update: May 10, 2019

05.09.2019

Bet-the-Career: Tips for keeping executives from becoming collateral damage in high stakes litigation

05.03.2019

NC Legislative Update: May 3, 2019

04.18.2019

Bet-the-Company: Keys to Prosecuting and Defending High Stakes Litigation

04.18.2019

NC Legislative Update: April 18, 2019

04.12.2019

NC Legislative Update: April 12, 2019

04.05.2019

NC Legislative Update: April 5, 2019

03.29.2019

NC Legislative Update: March 29, 2019

03.22.2019

NC Legislative Update: March 22, 2019

03.15.2019

NC Legislative Update: March 15, 2019

03.08.2019

NC Legislative Update: March 8, 2019

03.01.2019

NC Legislative Update: March 1, 2019

01.02.2019

Opportunity Zones Can Affect Your North Carolina Real Estate Investments

06.27.2018

2018 South Carolina Legislation on Homeowners Associations

05.22.2018

NC Legislative Update: May 22, 2018

02.26.2018

Sentencing Set-Aside Contract Fraud: Are Changes Coming in the Fourth Circuit?

01.26.2018

NC Legislative Update: January 26, 2018