

## GENERAL LITIGATION

Sheppard Mullin's Litigation Department has a wealth of experience in the traditional vehicles for dispute resolution of litigation and arbitration. At the same time, our lawyers recognize and promote the use of mediation and other dispute resolution mechanisms as alternatives that can afford substantial savings of costs and time to our clients in appropriate cases.

Litigation has been a core part of the firm's practice since 1927. Our Litigation Department today consists of about 250 attorneys nationwide to serve our clients' needs. Sheppard Mullin litigators possess exceptional trial and appellate skills, in-depth knowledge of state and federal courts at all levels, and practical business judgment, all of which contribute to our consistent delivery of good, cost-efficient results.

The firm's practice involves virtually all aspects of business and commercial litigation. Our litigators represent clients in a broad spectrum of industries such as computers and information technology, financial services, aerospace, manufacturing, transportation, communications, pharmaceuticals, advertising, print and broadcast media, petroleum production and refining, real estate, insurance, construction, and food and beverage manufacturing, among others. Within our comprehensive litigation practice are several specialized practice groups that emphasize aerospace and defense, antitrust and trade regulation, construction, creditor's rights and financial institutions, environmental, franchise, insurance, intellectual property and technology, real estate, professional liability defense, and white collar criminal defense and regulatory compliance.