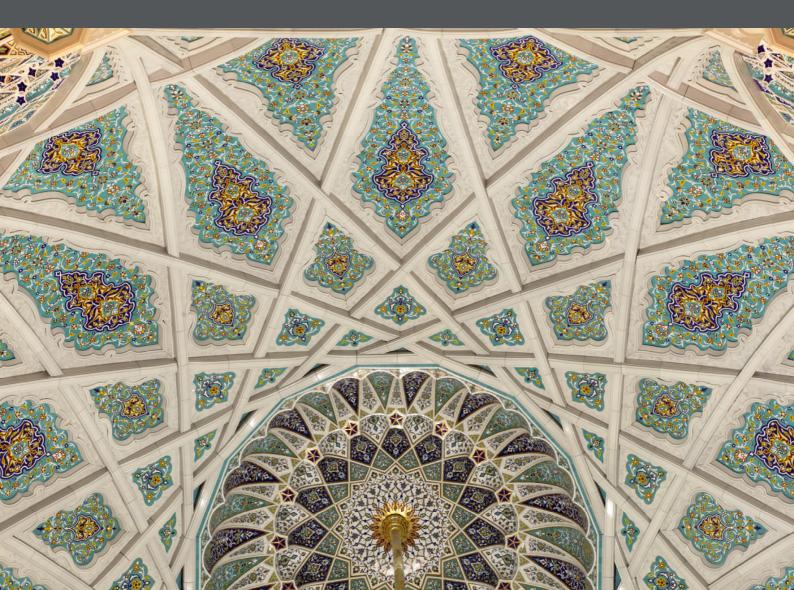


# **REGULATORY WORK**

Regulatory, compliance and investigations in the GCC



# The challenges you face

Our clients need to understand and respond to changing risk profiles across the globe in an environment of increased regulatory oversight. Companies must be transparent and ensure they have appropriate risk management systems in place to reduce their exposure to risk.

We closely monitor the developing political and economic environment understanding the implications of the latest laws and regulations while paying close attention to new technological developments to ensure our clients are sufficiently protected.

Sometimes difficulties are unavoidable and we recognise that prompt and effective action is fundamental to our clients' business and their relationship with regulators and other authorities. Addleshaw Goddard's Regulatory, Compliance and Investigations team draws on its experience of dealing with government bodies and regulatory authorities to prevent disputes and investigations arising.

## The expertise you need

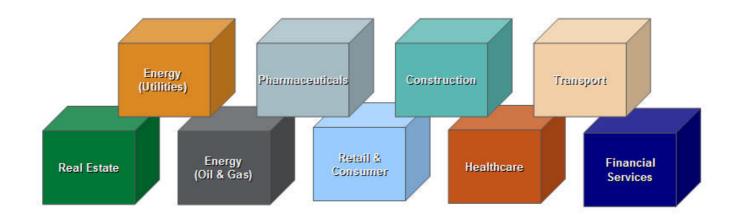
Addleshaw Goddard has significant experience of assisting clients with complex and contentious regulatory issues and investigations. Whether conducting internal inquiries or managing actions by regulators, we are able to offer considerable technical and subject matter expertise to our clients in the GCC and worldwide.

Many of our lawyers have experience of working for regulators or within regulated firms. The team has an innate awareness of the specific issues which arise in dealing with contentious regulatory matters and are able to provide our clients with valuable strategic assistance.

Our team is able to deliver accurate, swift and incisive analysis of issues. Our Transactional Support Team, consisting of 50 paralegals in the UK, also provides a flexible and cost-effective solution for document heavy investigations.

#### What we do

The team has an innate awareness of the specific issues which arise in dealing with contentious regulatory matters and are able to provide our clients with valuable strategic assistance in the following sectors:



### Where we work

Out of its UK and GCC offices, Addleshaw Goddard's Regulatory, Compliance and Investigations team's practice covers the following jurisdictions across the GCC and Africa:

- United Arab Emirates
- Oman
- Nigeria
- Mali
- Zimbabwe
- Cameroon

- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Kuwait
- ▶ Ghana
- South Africa
- Kenya
- Namibia

- Qatar
- Bahrain
- ► Guinea
- Tanzania
- Uganda
- Ethiopia

### Who we work for

Recent specialist experience of the team includes:

- Advising a blue chip global banking institution on strategy and specific responses to Dubai Financial Services Authority investigations and accompanying individuals to interviews
- ► Acting on behalf of a global insurance company in relation to a DFSA investigation. Advising on strategy and substantial disclosure exercise following an urgent internal investigation
- Instructed on claim by private equity firm against its former directors for breach of directors' duties
- Substantial investigation into KSA Ministry of Health pharmaceutical procurement tender and disputes arising
- Advising on regulatory matters on numerous IPPs and IWPPs in the GCC
- Carrying out a review of financial services and regulatory environment for doing business and operating in GCC states for several international banks
- Advice on licensing and formation issues within DIFC and the UAE regulatory regime
- ► Advising blue chip UAE group on regulatory, compliance and anti-bribery and corruption issues and the potential impact on its subsidiaries across the Middle East and North Africa
- Instructed by a leading English Premiership League football club to conduct an urgent internal investigation and present the independent findings to members of the global board
- ▶ The Al-Sweady Public Inquiry led by the UK Ministry of Defence
- Providing regular advice and seminars on the impact of international anti-bribery and corruption regulations for global companies and their worldwide subsidiaries including a leading airline

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