

Business is global, and we are here to support our clients' cross-border legal needs. We have the resources to support our clients with international business goals, as well as significant experience working with foreign-based companies when their plans bring them to the United States.

From transactions that enable growth to protecting rights in a business dispute, we are experienced working with clients from a variety of countries. A few areas in which we have specific relevant experience include:

### Global Capabilities

Bell Nunnally is a member of Legalink. Legalink is a global law firm network with members from more than 60 countries and 70 international cities. When our clients need representation in cities around the globe, we can tap into this extensive network to find local counsel to meet their needs.

# **Immigration**

From obtaining visas to working with immigrant investors, our <u>immigration practice team</u> is experienced helping companies comply with local, state and federal immigration laws. We also counsel clients on immigration consequences of corporate restructuring and assist with outbound immigration issues.



#### Business and Real Estate

We regularly assist clients in cross-border corporate and real estate transactions, including international and U.S. companies in the acquisition, disposition, lease and development of real estate properties for hospitality, retail, industrial and residential projects throughout Mexico and Latin America. We have also represented a Mexican telecommunications entity and its owner in cross-border transactions and various corporate matters. Our work includes helping a variety of foreign-based companies with their expansion and their ongoing business operations in the United States. From entity formation and employment matters to commercial contracts and raising capital, we offer sophisticated advice and counsel for cross-border transactions.

#### **Business** aviation

Our business aviation practice frequently represents clients in complex aircraft purchase agreements, including the representation of foreign individuals, most of whom are Spanish speaking, in cross-border aviation transactions. Carefully analyzing the technical requirements related to ownership, international regulations and end use of the aircraft, our team helps clients record security interests via country-specific registries or the International Registry (IR) and analyzes tax issues for end use of the aircraft.

### Labor and Employment

Working with companies across all types of industries, including retail, hospitality and technology, we assist companies that often have workforces distributed across the country. Our practice has grown to help numerous international businesses with headquarters in jurisdictions as diverse as Australia and India to expand into U.S. markets, while making sure they effectively navigate the complicated federal, state and local laws governing the employer-employee relationship.

## Litigation

We maintain a broad-based litigation and appeals practice with expertise in numerous areas, ranging from securities and regulatory matters to real estate and tax issues. We have guided clients through legal matters in Canada, Mexico and as far away as Nigeria. We have represented a Canadian crown corporation in numerous, international lawsuits against U.S. entities. We help foreign companies doing business in the U.S. with regional disputes and work with our global Legalink network partners to represent U.S.-based companies that have disputes in other countries where we do not have a presence.

### International trademark/IP portfolios

The Bell Nunnally intellectual property team helps artists and corporate brands manage intellectual capital, including trademarks and copyrights, and other intangible assets both domestically and internationally. We have represented national and international luxury brands; alcohol, food and beverage companies; and others in advertising clearance, copyright and trademark management and licensing, domain name disputes, Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) take down and enforcement actions, special events, promotions, sponsorships, endorsements and product placement matters. We have represented children's literary and animated properties in connection with United States and international distribution, licensing and ancillary rights matters.

#### Related Practices

Corporate and Securities
Intellectual Property
Litigation
White Collar Criminal and Regulatory Defense

### Related Industries

Agribusiness, Beverage and Food

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