

Fluet Increases GovCon + International Trade Capabilities with Powerful New Team Additions

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TYSONS, VA, 2024 – Fluet is pleased to announce the addition of Partner **David Panzer**, Senior Counsel **James "Jim" Hilboldt**, and Contracts Analyst **John Supina** to the firm.

Leading the team and serving as Chair of Fluet's <u>Government Contracts Practice</u> is <u>David Panzer</u>, a seasoned Government Contracts litigator. His unique background and practice is set to strengthen the firm's overall Government Contracts capabilities by focusing on high-stakes litigation, government enforcement, and challenges to government action, especially in matters with international components.

With over a dozen years as a Partner at one of the country's largest firms as well as seven years as an in-house counsel, David has expansive litigation and corporate experience. He has successfully handled numerous high-profile Government Contracts disputes, False Claims Act cases, bid protests, prime-sub contractor disputes, and wrongful termination claims. Most notably he has strategically resolved a series of complex, international "bet-the-company" matters, which enabled the successful sale of a multi-billion-dollar government services contractor, and then employed that experience to build a legal team devoted to guiding other companies through the complexities of this industry.

David joins Fluet from another boutique where he expanded the Government Contracts Practice by building an accomplished team to serve clients with pragmatic, business-focused solutions.

Along with David, the firm benefits from the addition of his business-oriented and knowledgeable team, each boasting significant experience in Government Contracts as well as International Trade:

- Jim Hilboldt has over thirty years' experience as in-house counsel, assisting U.S. companies with the sale of products and services to government and non-government customers around the world, particularly in Asia. As part of his practice, Jim strives to provide practical legal and business advice to companies operating overseas, and is especially knowledgeable of the aerospace, defense, and biopharmaceutical industries.
- John Supina is an experienced business advocate who works alongside attorneys to provide assistance with U.S. Government Contracts, Procurement and Trade Compliance policies and other contract review functions. After serving as a member of the U.S. Navy, John's career as contractor spanned four decades and included both significant operations and home office roles including significant work OCONUS.

"We are excited to welcome this experienced team on board and are confident that our clients will benefit immensely from the group's unique blend of outside and in-house counsel





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perspectives and proven track record of favorable results in complex Government Contracts litigation and transactions," says Tom Craig, Fluet Managing Partner. "Their collective industry experience and connections will propel Fluet forward in providing elite legal support to our clients that support the U.S. Government -- especially those involved in national security, international contracts, aerospace, defense and intelligence."

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About Fluet

Fluet is a unique, national security focused law firm that understands high growth, high risk environments. Our full-service firm provides one-of-a-kind legal support to clients in the middle-market sector through four integrated practice groups, including International Trade, Corporate + Transactional, Government Contracts, and Litigation + Investigations. To learn more about our practices and skilled team, visit our website at www.fluet.law, or connect with us on LinkedIn, Facebook, or X.

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