

Hospitality, Food & Beverage

Hotels, restaurants, breweries/distilleries, event venues.

The hospitality and food service industries face unique challenges that require both proactive legal guidance and strong defense when disputes arise. From restaurants and hotels to breweries, distilleries, and event venues, businesses in this sector must navigate complex regulations, workforce issues, and competitive pressures while maintaining excellent customer service and brand reputation.

At Friday, Eldredge & Clark, our attorneys provide comprehensive support to clients across the hospitality, food, and beverage industries. We assist with licensing and permitting, employment and labor matters, contracts and vendor agreements, real estate development, and alcohol regulation. When disputes occur, we offer experienced defense in matters involving food safety claims, liability issues, and insurance coverage.

Our team understands the fast-paced nature of this industry and partners with clients to anticipate risks, protect assets, and create long-term strategies for growth. Whether you are expanding into new markets, managing workforce challenges, or defending your business in litigation, we provide the legal counsel and representation you need to keep your operations moving forward.

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FAQ

How do I begin working with your firm if my hospitality or food service business needs legal support?

We begin with a consultation to understand your business operations, challenges, and goals. From there, we develop strategies to address compliance, contracts, and risk management.

Do you advise on employment-related issues common in the hospitality industry?

We provide guidance on wage and hour compliance, tip pooling, OSHA regulations, immigration compliance, and defend against employment litigation.

Do you review and negotiate contracts for vendors, suppliers, or events?

We prepare and negotiate contracts with suppliers, service providers, event hosts, and franchise systems to protect your business interests.

Do you have experience with alcohol regulation and compliance?

We advise breweries, distilleries, wineries, and restaurants on state and federal alcohol regulations, licensing, distribution agreements, and compliance matters.