

PRACTICE AREA

Agricultural Law

Comprehensive Legal Solutions for Farmers, Agribusinesses & Agricultural Organizations

Friday, Eldredge & Clark provides comprehensive legal counsel in agricultural law, serving farmers, family-owned farms, cooperatives, large agribusinesses, food processors, suppliers, and nonprofits addressing agriculture policy. Our team combines deep industry knowledge with experience across transactional, regulatory, and litigation matters, including contracts, compliance, environmental and land use issues, and dispute resolution. Whether representing producers, processors, or industry associations, we deliver practical legal solutions tailored to the unique challenges of agriculture.

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Areas of Focus

Antitrust

Several agricultural cooperatives have relied on our firm for a successful defense against antitrust claims in federal court. We also counsel agricultural industry associations on the antitrust implications of discussions between direct competitors, information exchanges, and attempts to set industry standards.

Family Business and Succession Planning

Family-owned farms and agricultural companies pose unique estate and tax planning challenges, and our lawyers are skilled in all aspects of business asset and succession planning. We help agricultural clients achieve personal and business objectives through effective corporate and tax strategies that emphasize estate planning, business succession planning, and financial and liquidity planning.

Litigation

We are able to handle all litigation matters involving agriculture and agribusiness, including personal injury claims on farms, business disputes, drift claims, environmental matters, and the appeal of regulatory matters from government agencies.

SUMMARY

- **Full-Spectrum Representation:** Counsel for farmers, family-owned farms, cooperatives, food processors, suppliers, and agribusinesses of all sizes.
- **Industry-Specific Knowledge:** Deep experience with agricultural production, processing, supply chains, and policy organizations.
- **Comprehensive Services:** Support across transactions, regulatory compliance, environmental and land use issues, labor, contracts, and litigation.
- **Strategic Insight:** Guidance informed by work with leading agricultural nonprofits and associations addressing industry-wide policy challenges.
- **Tailored Solutions:** Practical, client-focused strategies designed to protect assets, resolve disputes, and support long-term growth.

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Government Relations & Regulatory Matters

Our firm represents industry associations and individual agribusiness companies on matters involving their relations with Arkansas state government and issues before regulatory bodies such as the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

Tax

We successfully represented a major food processor in restructuring the Arkansas manufacturing tax exemption on tangible personal property used directly in manufacturing and processing, so that it achieves the necessary public policy objectives while supporting our client's competitive objectives.

Meet the Team

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