

Customs Counseling and Support

Foley customs attorneys regularly counsel importers dealing with Customs inquiries, including informal information requests from ports and CBP Centers for Excellence and Expertise and Form 28s and 29s. We help importers navigate Customs Focused Assessments, Risk Analysis and Survey Assessments, and Customs Audits. Where necessary, our customs attorneys help guide importers through customs enforcement activity and disclosures, toward the goal of minimizing potential penalties and putting the importer on a path of future compliance with all customs requirements.

Our emphasis on compliance and avoiding issues before they attract Customs attention include:

- **Risk-Assessments and Compliance.** Our customs attorneys regularly conduct customs risk assessments and create tailored compliance solutions for companies, help companies classify their goods and create Customs Classification Indices, and conduct customs training.
- **Internal Customs Audits.** Our customs attorneys create and guide companies through internal customs audits that help importers identify and correct issues before their discovery by Customs.
- **USMCA/FTA.** Our customs attorneys, including our those in Foley's Mexico office, help importers navigate the complicated USMCA rules to ensure compliance.

How Foley Can Help Identify Tariff-Saving Opportunities

In the current high-tariff environment, it is more important than ever for companies to take advantage of lawful customs strategies for minimizing tariffs. Our customs attorneys help companies evaluate favorable tariff classifications, including by guiding companies through the customs advisory ruling process, where genuine gray areas exist. Our customs attorneys help companies reimagine their supply chains to minimize the impact of high tariffs on certain countries such as China. We also regularly counsel companies on how to use tariff-saving strategies such as the American Goods Returned program, duty drawback, Foreign Trade Zones, and other strategies that can allow importers to reduce lawfully the tariffs due on their imports.

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