

Webcast: 2020 Sanctions and Export Controls Update

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Despite the ongoing global pandemic, sanctions and export controls continue to be a most-favored enforcement tool of the U.S. government. Since the outset of 2020, the government has continued to develop, implement, and enforce new international trade sanctions and export controls across a wide range of industry sectors and regions, including in novel and unprecedented ways. Join Gibson Dunn attorneys as they provide a mid-year update on the recent trends in this constantly evolving space.

Topics to be covered include:

- Major U.S. sanctions programs developments, including Iran, Venezuela, Syria, and North Korea
- New sanctions programs and developments, including those affecting China/Hong Kong, significant designations, and recent executive orders targeting the International Criminal Court, TikTok, and WeChat
- New major developments in export controls, including additions to the Entity List and new restrictions on military end use and end users.

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