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■ **Tell us about your most significant lobbying initiative from Jan. 1, 2022 to June 1, 2023 and how you achieved your goals.** Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher represented the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights in an effort to pass the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, historic and comprehensive police reform legislation. Following the nationwide protests

in the wake of the George Floyd killing by a Minnesota police officer, Congress is attempting to pass federal legislation to reform police departments and better hold officers who commit misconduct accountable. The

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legislation passed the House of Representatives last Congress. Gibson Dunn advised the Lawyers' Committee on the legislative strategy to pass the bill in the Senate and conducted bipartisan outreach on the bill.

■ **Could you provide some tips that are crucial to government relations work?** At its core, government relations is about relationships.

Your integrity, reputation, and candor are of utmost value. You must always be credible to be influential. Government relation lawyers must have the first-hand experience behind the scenes to know how the process works, and real and deep relationships with decision-makers to be successful. ■