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The Government Contracts Team has successfully defeated another Government Accountability Office (GAO) bid protest—this time, for client Millennium Systems Services, Inc. (MSSI). The Team was led by DC Partner **Larry Prosen**, who was supported by DC Partner **Gunjan Talati** and Houston Associates **Nick Nieto** and **Jarett Dillard**.

Earlier this year, the United States Army issued a solicitation seeking contractors to provide logistical support services for the United States Army. The U.S. Army selected MSSI to perform the multimillion dollar contract. In response, the incumbent contractor (LogiCore) filed a protest with the GAO, seeking to overturn the award. LogiCore asserted a wide variety of claims and even filed two supplemental bid protests along the way. All of which had to be addressed within a rapid timeframe.

Our team intervened in the protest on behalf of MSSI and began working to refute LogiCore's protest grounds. After several months of briefing, the GAO issued a decision in favor of MSSI. The GAO found no basis to sustain LogiCore's protest, ultimately dismissing in part and denying in part. As a result of our Team's work, MSSI will get to keep the five-year multimillion dollar contract.

In a separate matter, MSSI had our team file an affirmative bid protest at the GAO on a program management logistics contract to assist the U.S. Army's Apache Attack Helicopter Program Office based in Huntsville, Alabama. Following briefings and receipt of the Agency's Administrative Record, our team filed a supplemental protest. As a result of that supplement, the Agency elected to take corrective action. This means that the agency cancelled the award to MSSI's competitor and reopened the competition for reevaluation. From a bid protest perspective, this counts as a "win" for the client.

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