

USDA Food Safety Outlook

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Firm Overview

- Arent Fox was founded in Washington, DC in 1942.
 - Headquartered in Washington, DC, with offices in New York and Los Angeles and San Francisco.
 - Approximately 400 attorneys, 500 staff
 - Organized into three major departments:
 - Litigation
 - Regulatory
 - Business
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Food, Drug, Medical Device & Agriculture Overview

Areas of Focus:

- Agriculture
- Alcoholic Beverages
- Cosmetics, Personal Care, & OTC Drug Products
- Food, Food Safety, Nutrition & Dietary Supplements
- Pharmaceuticals, Medical Devices & Biologics
- Cannabis

Practice Areas

- › Advertising, Promotions & Data Security
- › Antitrust & Competition Law
- › Appellate
- › Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring
- › Communications, Technology & Mobile
- › Complex Litigation
- › Construction
- › Consumer Product Safety
- › Corporate & Securities
- › Cybersecurity & Data Protection
- › Environmental
- › ERISA
- › Estates & Trusts
- › Finance
- › Food, Drug, Medical Device & Agriculture
- › Government Contractor Services
- › Government Relations
- › Health Care
- › Insurance & Reinsurance
- › Intellectual Property
- › International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution
- › International Trade
- › Labor & Employment
- › Municipal & Project Finance
- › OSHA
- › Political Law
- › Pro Bono
- › Real Estate
- › Tax
- › White Collar & Investigations

Food Safety Outlook

- Inspection Modernization
- Line Speed
- Imports
- Codex



Inspection Modernization

➤ New Swine Slaughter Inspection System

- Voluntary
- Increase off-line inspection tasks while maintaining carcass-by-carcass
- New requirements to control pathogens
- Comment period



Line Speed

- NCC petition denied
- Surprising?
- What's next?

Imports

➤ Brazil

- Beef shipments halted
- Brazil attempts to link to ethanol

➤ China

- Equivalency for slaughter

Codex Alimentarius

- Move from FSIS to TFAA
- Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance

Other Issues

- Farm Bill?
- Further implementation of catfish program
- New technologies - WGS

Questions?



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