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**CROWELL & MORING'S ANGELA STYLES TESTIFIES BEFORE THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM COMMITTEE**

**Washington, D.C. – June 12, 2013:** Crowell & Moring LLP partner and co-chair of the firm's Government Contracts Group, Angela B. Styles, testified today before the U.S. House of Representatives Oversight and Government Reform Committee. The hearing, "Protecting Taxpayer Dollars: Is the Government Using Suspension and Debarment Effectively?," focused on the Stop Unworthy Spending Act, also known as the SUSPEND ACT, which aims to provide more consistency and transparency of suspension and debarment proceedings among many federal agencies.

Speaking before Chairman Darrell Issa (R-Calif.), Congressman Cummings (D-Md.), and other members of the Committee, Styles' testimony focused on the need for reform and legislative changes in order to improve the way suspension and debarments are handled. She emphasized the need to streamline the procedures, and make them consistent, fair, and transparent among agencies so that companies and individuals facing suspension and debarment proceedings are given a similar opportunity to properly present their case so that the correct result is obtained.

Styles' oral statement can be found [here](#).

Styles focuses her practice on government contracts counseling and litigation, including procurement ethics and compliance, civil and criminal fraud matters. Before joining Crowell & Moring, she served in the federal government as administrator for Federal Procurement Policy within the Office of Management and Budget at the White House, a position requiring confirmation by the United States Senate. In this role and others before it, she was responsible for the policies and regulations governing all purchases by the federal government. Styles has testified about complex government contracting issues at more than 20 hearings before the United States Senate and the House of Representatives.

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