NEWSROOM SAFETY

The safety and security of journalists and their newsrooms are of utmost concern today — now more than ever. Ballard Spahr can help you plan strategically to reduce the risk of harm.

As part of our defense of news organizations, we provide comprehensive security assessments in the United States and at international sites. Our thorough analyses can help you with enhanced threat-detection models, ingress and egress site evaluations, designed evacuation procedures, and training programs for employees.

In addition, we can guide you in the tailoring of workplace-violence mitigation strategies, including early communication and reporting protocols, as well as emergency-management plans for every venue.

Before joining Ballard Spahr, Dennis Burke was a Founder and General Counsel of Global Security and Innovative Strategies (GSIS), whose wide range of security services included conducting high-impact investigations, developing critical infrastructure, cybersecurity and other threat assessments, and crafting safety and security plans for large organizations. His vast field experience includes tours as a U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona and as Senior Advisor to the Department of Homeland Security.

Working with Mark Sullivan, a former Director of the Secret Service and now a Security Consultant to the firm, GSIS provided security to Major League Baseball, the Boston Marathon, the PGA of America, and the USO, to name but a few of the major public-venue entities that have authorized us to list them as references. Mr. Sullivan is recognized as one of the preeminent experts in this field.

And with nearly 40 years of experience in handling high-risk matters for media clients, David Bodney, Co-Chair of the firm's Media & Entertainment Law Group, further focuses on enhancing newsroom safety and security at home and abroad.

If you are interested in meeting with us to discuss how we could best serve your newsroom's needs, please contact:

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