LAFORGE FORMULA FOR SUCCESSFUL PUBLIC POLICY ISSUE OUTCOME

1.) Substantive and meritorious issue and case grounded in sound public policy...

PLUS

2.) Accurate and keen sense of need, timing and urgency...

PLUS

3.) Engagement of proper policy makers/decision makers, including credible champion(s)...

PLUS

4.) On-target analysis of issues, stakeholders and ties to political constituencies...

PLUS

5.) Focused research, planning, and execution of appropriate strategies and tactics (e.g., direct lobbying, media, grassroots coalition, political influence)...

PLUS

6.) Effective communications including thorough issue education and a compelling case/argument...

PLUS

7.) Strategic political support—political ducks in a row"—and critical "working" of the system/process at every stage...

PLUS

8.) Hands-on, energetic issue management...

PLUS

A healthy dash of luck for good measure...

EQUALS

Maximum opportunity for successful results