

Rachel S. Wolkowitz

Associate

Rachel S. Wolkowitz's practice spans a variety of policy, regulatory, and compliance matters for communications and technology companies. Ms. Wolkowitz has experience representing clients in rulemaking, waiver, and enforcement proceedings before several federal agencies including the FAA, FCC, NTIA, FTC, DoD, DOE, and GSA. Ms. Wolkowitz also advises media companies, carriers, and manufacturers on FCC regulations including accessibility, hearing aid compatibility, equipment authorization, and marketing requirements.

Ms. Wolkowitz regularly helps clients understand and shape the regulatory process as they seek to introduce new technologies into their operations and onto the market. For example, as the unmanned aircraft systems ("UAS") industry has evolved, Ms. Wolkowitz has assisted clients incorporating UAS (drones) into their operations navigate the changing federal, state, and local legal landscape. She has drafted comments on FAA rulemakings, crafted compliance plans for broadcasters supplementing news-copters with drones, stewarded UAS manufacturers through FCC equipment authorization requirements, and analyzed dozens of federal, state, and local proposals to regulate UAS and UAS operations.

Prior to joining the firm in 2014, Ms. Wolkowitz was the Assistant General Counsel for the Technology Association of America, where she regularly represented the technology industry before federal agencies on IT procurement, supply chain, and cybersecurity issues. As a Legal Fellow at Microsoft Corporation, Ms. Wolkowitz worked on telecommunications, intellectual property, privacy and data security, energy efficiency, and trade issues. During law school, Ms. Wolkowitz served on the Editorial Board of the Columbia Journal of Gender and Law and served as the Vice President of the Columbia Society for Law, Science, and Technology.

PUBLICATIONS AND EVENTS

The New FAA Rules Signal Takeoff for Drone Startups, 1776 Blog, 7/20/16

"Drones and Utilities: Policy and Regulations," Kinetic webinar series, co-presenter with Mark Wiranowski, 2/18/16

Co-author, **FAA Registration is the Newest Obstacle for Startups Using Drones**, 1776 Blog, 1/8/16

Using Drones for TV News – What are the Legal Issues?, Broadcast Law Blog, 11/11/15

Co-author, **Will Drones Soon Become an Effective Tool for Broadcasters?**, Broadcast Law Blog, 3/13/15



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BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, 2015
New Jersey, 2011
New York, 2012

EDUCATION

J.D., Columbia Law School, 2011
B.A., Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, 2007

PRACTICE AREAS

Broadband & IP-Enabled Services
Communications & Video Accessibility
Internet of Things
Network & Consumer Equipment
Privacy, Data Protection & Cybersecurity
Trademarks
Unmanned Aircraft/Drones (UAS)
Wired Communications
Wireless Communications