

Robert G. Kirk

Partner

Robert G. Kirk has been advising clients on issues relating to Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") regulations for nearly twenty years. With the explosive growth in the unmanned aircraft systems ("UAS") industry, he has assisted clients on a wide variety of issues, such as obtaining authority from the FAA to utilize UAS commercially, advocating for business- and consumer-friendly UAS regulations at the Federal, state, and local levels, opposing state and local proposals to criminalize certain UAS activities, evaluating potential UAS business cases, and formulating compliance plans for UAS operations. He is regularly involved in FAA and local proceedings dealing with UAS regulation.

Mr. Kirk also has been advising clients on all aspects of commercial mobile radio service for more than two decades. He has participated in a wide variety of rulemaking and adjudicatory proceedings of interest to the wireless industry. Mr. Kirk regularly appears before the FCC on enforcement matters and his experience ranges from defending clients in administrative hearings to negotiating consent decrees with the FCC in formal complaint cases. Additionally, Mr. Kirk has conducted tutorials for a variety of clients with respect to U.S. regulations that impact wireless licensees and co-authored the Telecommunications Act Handbook, a Complete Reference for Business (Government Institutes, 1996), and Beyond the Telecommunications Act, A Domestic and International Perspective for Business (Government Institutes, 1998). During law school, he served as editor-in-chief of the George Washington Journal of International Law and Economics.

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BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, 1994
 Massachusetts, 1992
 U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit, 1998
 U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 1997
 U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 1996
 U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, 1996
 U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 1995
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1994

EDUCATION

J.D., George Washington University
 National Law Center, 1991
 B.A., Merrimack College, 1988

PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative & Court Litigation
 Broadband & IP-Enabled Services
 Enforcement
 Grid Modernization
 Privacy, Data Protection & Cybersecurity
 Tower Siting & Infrastructure
 Unmanned Aircraft/Drones (UAS)
 Wireless Communications