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Areas of Focus

Government Controversies
and Public Policy Litigation

AI Task Force

Critical and Emerging
Technologies

Congressional
Investigations

Post-*Chevron* Task Force



Overview

Will Weaver advises clients on the emerging patchwork of state, federal, and international AI laws and regulations. As this patchwork rapidly expands across the country and around the world, Will works with clients to assess the impact of new and pending legislation on their businesses. He helps them to establish compliance frameworks and strategies to engage with legislators and regulators about AI policy. His work focuses on legislative and regulatory analysis, AI use-case inventories and compliance program development as well as counseling and representation in response to state attorneys general and other regulatory inquiries and enforcement actions.

Will's AI regulatory practice draws on his deep background in legislative analysis, government investigations, congressional inquiries, and complex litigation. He has extensive experience with the legal and regulatory issues facing technology companies, including litigating cases pertaining to Section 230 and helping clients navigate platform and child safety regulations at the state, federal, and international levels. He has represented clients—including major technology companies and nonprofit organizations—in congressional investigations and hearings, preparing top executives for appearances before the House and Senate Judiciary Committees, the European Parliament, and US state legislatures. He also has advised political nominees on their nominations and confirmation hearings.

Will has an active appellate practice and has represented clients before the US Supreme Court and US courts of appeals, including a recent victory in a DC Circuit case involving a challenge to TSA regulations and their impact on a disabled individual. His pro bono work includes representing a public advocacy organization in a constitutional

challenge to conditions in a state juvenile justice system, and successfully representing asylum seekers in immigration proceedings.

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Representative Matters

- Prepared several members of President Biden's Cabinet, including the former OMB Director and Acting Secretary of Labor, for transcribed interviews with the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations regarding the President's health and mental acuity during his time in office.
- Represented a major technology company in understanding and impacting the policy, legislative, and regulatory landscape for AI and child online safety in state legislatures, Congress, and legislative and regulatory bodies across the globe to help provide consistency and clarity across emerging regulatory frameworks.
- Represented major technology company in response to House Judiciary Committee investigation.
- Represented multiple clients in evaluating proposed AI legislation and regulations.
- Represented multiple clients in understanding and impacting the policy, legislative, and regulatory landscape on “Right To Repair” regulations in state legislatures and at the federal level.
- Represented major technology company and prepared witnesses for high-profile public hearings before the US Congress, state legislatures, and the European Parliament.
- Prepared Albertsons CEO Vivek Sankaran for testimony before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights on November 29, 2022, following the announcement of the proposed merger with Kroger.
- Briefed and argued important asylum case in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, securing a resounding victory in which the court held that not only was the underlying decision *not* supported by substantial evidence, but also that based on the record, the only permissible conclusion was that our client had been persecuted on the basis of his political opinion. When the Third Circuit issued its decision in September 2021, Will worked with non-profit immigrant-rights organizations to petition for the client’s release from detention, and finally after over four years in detention, the client was released in November 2021 and granted asylum in early 2022.
- Served as court-appointed Amicus in *Muir v. Department of Homeland Security*, briefing and arguing the case in favor of Petitioner, securing a grant of the Petition by the D.C. Circuit.
- Secured dismissal of two lawsuits brought against major technology company related to alleged harms stemming from the company’s digital platforms.

- Worked to secure dismissal of litigation against the former counterintelligence Chief of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia based on the federal government's assertion of the state secrets privilege.

Credentials

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 2016
- Alabama, 2014

Education

- Vanderbilt University School of Law, JD, Chancellor's Scholar, Dean's List, 2014
- Samford University, BA, *magna cum laude*, 2009

Court Admissions

- US Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 2020
- US Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, 2019
- US Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 2019
- US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2020
- US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 2018

Clerkships

- Hon. Robert L. Wilkins, US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 2017-2018
- Hon. Madeline Haikala, US District Court, Northern District of Alabama, 2014-2015

Service / Recognition

Awards

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, One to Watch: Appellate Practice, 2022-2026
- Capital Pro Bono High Honor Roll, 2022, 2024-2025