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Areas of Focus

Communications, Internet,
and Technology

Government Controversies
and Public Policy Litigation

State Attorneys General

Post-*Chevron* Task Force



Overview

Zeb Zankel helps companies build, access, operate and maintain communications networks and services through results-driven representation in regulatory, litigation, and transactional matters. A committed and driven communications regulatory lawyer, he gives clients timely and practical advice on thorny regulatory matters, handles state and local regulatory proceedings, and litigates disputes for telecommunications, broadband, and other communications sector clients of all sizes.

Zeb helps shape regulations and secures regulatory approvals for licenses, transactions, public funding, and access to infrastructure and public rights-of-way. With extensive knowledge of the technical aspects of communications networks and business models, he offers uncommon insight, creativity, and skill with a passion for creating and executing multifaceted strategies across regulatory, legislative, and litigation challenges. Clients regularly call on him to negotiate infrastructure asset transactions, for advice on public policy, and to handle administrative litigation, government audits, and investigations.

Zeb started his legal career as a law clerk at the California Public Utilities Commission, which began his productive relationships with key government officials and gave him a front-row seat on how government agencies work and the dos and don'ts of regulatory advocacy.



Some see the law as rock, but I see it as clay to be modeled to meet my clients' needs.”

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Credentials

Admissions

- California, 2014

Education

- Santa Clara University, JD, Dean's List, 2014
- Wesleyan University, BA, with honors, 2005

Service / Recognition

Awards

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Ones to Watch, Communications Law, 2021, 2024, 2026

Service to the Bar

- Federal Communications Bar Association, Co-Chair, Northern California Chapter

Industry

- Conference of California Public Utility Counsel, Co-Chair, Young Utility Lawyers