

Christian L. Alexander

Christian Alexander is primarily involved in the field of transportation law, where he focuses on the development and operation of public transportation systems and airports. His experience includes federal regulatory compliance, land acquisition and use, and funding. Many of his clients are state and local governmental entities, including public transit agencies and airport authorities.

Christian has experience with various Department of Transportation boards and administrations, including the Surface Transportation Board, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration, and the Federal Aviation Administration. His areas of practice incorporate related fields such as environmental and land use policy, transit-oriented development, and rails-to-trails projects. Christian's background also includes working on state and federal energy regulation and policy issues.

Representative Experience

Atlanta BeltLine, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia

Assist Atlanta BeltLine in navigating federal regulatory requirements in connection with acquisition and development of rail corridors for public trail and modern streetcar passenger transit uses

State and Intergovernmental Transportation Authorities, Several States

Represent several state and intergovernmental transportation authorities separately before the Surface Transportation Board in disputes regarding the allocation of capital and operational costs between state passenger rail operators and Amtrak

Maryland Department of Transportation

Represent Maryland DOT regarding regulatory status and strategies for use of state-owned rail lines, including freight use, light rail, and public trail use

New York City Economic Development Corporation, New York

Represent NYCEDC and the City of New York before federal regulatory bodies and in negotiations with other parties concerning various rail, rail-trail, and rail-to-harbor projects

Dallas Love Field, Dallas, Texas

Represent airport sponsor in establishing and defending gate allocation methodology within highly unique federal legislative and regulatory context

City of Phoenix, Arizona



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Education and Clerkships

J.D., University of Colorado Law School, 2011
Graduate Energy Certificate, University of Colorado
Renewable and Sustainable Energy Institute, 2011
Resource Editor, *Journal on Telecommunications and High Technology Law*, 2010–2011
B.A., *cum laude*, Amherst College, 2006

Bar Admissions

Colorado
District of Columbia

Represent airport sponsor in federal litigation seeking changes to FAA air navigation routes

Awards / Professional and Civic Activities

- Capitol Hill South Advisory Neighborhood Commission, Planning and Zoning Committee, Resident Member (2013–2015)
- University of Colorado Law School, Alumni Carrier Profiles - Promising Stars (2013)
- Elephant Energy, Eagle Energy Program, Volunteer Interim Program Director (2010–2011)
- Colorado Bar Association
- District of Columbia Bar Association

Publications

Why Cape Town Is About to Run Out of Water
01.22.18

NCRRP Legal Research Digest 3: Issues That Emerge When Public Entities Acquire a Real Property Interest in Rail Lines
February 2016

Federal Regulation of Airports: Rethinking the Appropriate Role
Fall 2012

Commuter Rail Updates (Bi-Monthly Column)
2011–2015

18,000 American without Electricity: Illuminating and Solving the Navajo Energy Crisis
2011

On-Site Renewable Energy and Public Finance: How and Why Municipal Bond Financing is the Key to Propagating Access to On-Site Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
2010

News

City of Lakewood Considers Acquisition of Acres of Land in Unusual Land-for-Construction Exchange
The *Denver Post* and 9News
October 2015

FAA Postpones Contract Tower Closures
04.03.13

Article By Firm Attorney Explores Federal Control Over Airports
Fall 2012

Presentations

Commuter Rail Update



KAPLAN KIRSCH ROCKWELL

2013–2015

Standards, Who Needs Standards?

06.16.14