

Susan R. McAuliffe

Counsel

Washington, D.C.

Biography

With over 25 years of experience, Susan McAuliffe anticipates client business needs and advocates effectively with regulators to find workable solutions.

Susan represents a wide range of transportation and manufacturing businesses in safety and environmental matters before federal and state agencies, including the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

She helps clients respond to agency investigations, understand and comply with regulatory requirements, and participate productively in rule making and other government proceedings. She routinely advises companies on motor vehicle regulatory matters, Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) issues, NHTSA and EPA reporting obligations, and EPA emission standards. Susan has assisted clients in high-profile compliance matters including the Takata airbag recall, and has conducted comprehensive TREAD Act compliance audits. She is also well-versed in agency confidentiality proceedings, including advancing client confidentiality claims.

Representative experience

Advise transportation sector clients on safety reporting obligations, including auditing client practices and



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Practices

Transportation

Environment and Natural Resources

Industries

Automotive

Diversified Industrials

Transport & Logistics

Areas of focus

Transportation Safety

Clean Air

recommending compliance improvements.

Assist automakers in responding to NHTSA information requests and investigations on numerous vehicle safety and compliance issues.

Counsel automotive and technology companies regarding motor vehicle regulatory requirements and developments, including initiatives related to autonomous vehicles.

Help nonroad equipment makers navigate EPA's engine emission rules, including seeking exemption under EPA's equipment manufacturer transition program.

Awards and rankings

- Transport: Rail and Road (Regulation), *Legal 500 US*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - NHTSA proposed framework for automated driving system safety
- Analysis
 - CARES Act select transportation summary
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - NHTSA issues proposal to modernize crashworthiness standards for automated vehicles
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - NHTSA grants Nuro petition for temporary exemption *Transportation Alert*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Trump administration and Department of Transportation release updates to policy on autonomous vehicles *Transportation Alert*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - NHTSA, FMCSA release advanced notices of proposed rule-making regarding autonomous driving systems *Transportation Alert*

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Columbia Law School, 1988

B.A., Connecticut College, magna cum laude, 1982

Memberships

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Connecticut Bar Association

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Connecticut
