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PRACTICES

- Public Transit
- Procurement

EDUCATION

- Vanderbilt University Law School, J.D., 1974
- Oklahoma State University, B.A., English, 1971

ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Oklahoma
- Colorado USDC
- US Ct Appeals, 9th Circuit (AZ, CA, HI, ID, MT, NV, OR, WA, Guam, M. Isles)
- US Ct Appeals, DC Circuit

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Senior Counsel, 2019 Partner, 2001-2018
- Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott Partner, 1985-2001
- Federal Transit Administration Chief Counsel, 1981-1984 Acting Administrator, 1984
- The National Law Center, George Washington University Adjunct Lecturer in Law 1977-1987
- Office of the Legislative Counsel, United States House of Representatives 1974-1981

Kent practices in the surface transportation area, with emphasis on major public transit and highway projects, procurement, federal regulatory requirements, and transit labor.

Kent's primary practice is in advising public sector clients in the development and implementation of major transit and highway projects. Through this practice, he has extensive experience in the public sector procurement process, specifically compliance with Federal competitive procurement requirements; preparation of procurement/solicitation documents, particularly for complex procurements; preparation and negotiation of design-build contracts, construction contracts, construction manager at risk contracts, rolling stock purchase agreements, operations and maintenance contracts, and professional services agreements; analysis of procurement and project delivery alternatives; management of the procurement process; and resolution of bid protests.

Kent has represented public transit agencies throughout the U.S. in the development of federally funded major transit projects. He has years of experience in assisting clients in complying with the requirements of the Capital Investment Grant project development process of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and has served as counsel in the development and negotiation of 20 Full Funding Grant Agreements with the FTA. In the regulatory area, Kent advises clients on a wide range of Federal requirements, including Buy America, NEPA requirements and the development of NEPA documents, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements.

Kent has considerable experience in public transit labor matters, including representing public agencies in 13(c) labor protection disputes before the Department of Labor, private arbitrators, and in state and federal court. He has also provided counsel on collective bargaining issues and disputes, and has assisted in the development of Project Labor Agreements for transportation construction projects.

Kent also has experience with all aspects of the Federal legislative process, including drafting legislative proposals and amendments, preparing testimony for congressional hearings, and preparing position papers and briefing documents.