



Aaron M. Shank

partner

Aaron devotes a significant portion of his practice to counseling entities in the wireless telecommunications industry. He regularly advises wireless carriers and related wireless infrastructure enterprises on advocacy matters related to network infrastructure and deployment of both legacy and state-of-the-art wireless technologies nationwide, including 4G and 5G using micro and small cell technologies as well as macro facilities and distributed antenna system (DAS).

Aaron assists telecommunication and public utility entities with strategic dispute resolution. He also leverages significant experience managing electronically-stored information (ESI) to efficiently and effectively address issues in the discovery process.

Aaron's wireless industry experience focuses on legal, regulatory and policy initiatives to deploy and improve wireless voice, video, and data services that drive e-commerce and connectivity. With his deep experience in industry, he teams with program managers and engineers, land use specialists, and external relations professionals to help clients develop and implement legal and business strategies from planning for entitlement proceedings to breaking ground on new wireless infrastructure. Aaron counsels clients to efficiently achieve infrastructure objectives, with a particular emphasis on telecommunications laws to work with state and local jurisdictions and to build robust administrative records in permitting proceedings, zoning and rights-of-way disputes, and related litigation in federal courts arising under applicable federal and state laws, including the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and FCC rulings and regulations.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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EDUCATION

Ohio State University College of Law, J.D., 1998

Radford University, M.A., 1995

Wittenberg University, B.A., 1993

SERVICES

Litigation

- Commercial litigation
- E-Discovery
- Transportation and logistics

Energy

- Oil and gas
- Utility regulation

Wireless & Telecommunications

In addition, Aaron works with clients in commercial transportation, including trucking litigation, and the resolution of disputes common in the logistics industry.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represents national telecommunications and video providers and telecommunications infrastructure providers with disputes and regulatory matters throughout the United States, including proceedings regarding deployment of wireless services and access to video and related programming issues
- Serves in pivotal role as project management contact in a case involving national telecommunications and video provider. Provides ongoing process and system analysis, legal review and management of legal team
- Represented consumer electronics manufacturer in complex arbitration over termination of contract with reverse logistics vendor
- Played a primary role in representing the Columbus Bar Association in its prosecution of American Family Prepaid Legal Plan, a national “trust mill,” before the Supreme Court of Ohio’s Board on the Unauthorized Practice of Law. After several years of hard work, the Supreme Court of Ohio imposed more than \$6.4 million in penalties against one of the largest trust mill schemes in the nation, the largest-ever award in such a case in Ohio
- Assisted several national electric utilities in their defense of major environmental enforcement actions brought by the U.S. EPA and several Northeastern states under the Clean Air Act
- Managed complex e-discovery matter involving efficient in-house analysis of more than a terabyte of ESI, including substantial Japanese content

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

PUBLICATIONS

- “Report of the Communications Law Committee,” American Bar Association Infrastructure and Regulated Industries Section, Fall 2021

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Columbus Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association, Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee
- American Bar Association

HONORS | AWARDS

- *Ohio Super Lawyers*[®], Rising Stars Edition, 2009

COMMUNITY

- Technology for the Poor, Director
- Pro Bono Tenants’ Advocacy Project
- Interfaith Legal Services Clinic