

# MIKE GENTINE

JD/MA – MD & DC BAR

*Experienced federal- and state-level regulatory and safety policy advocate, writer, and speaker in the consumer product, motor vehicle, and food spaces.*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Arnold & Porter, LLP (Washington, DC)**

*Counsel – (8/2023-Present)*

- Advise manufacturers, retailers, and others on regulatory obligations, primarily regarding product and motor vehicle safety issues
- Represent companies in agency proceedings before US, Canadian, and other regulators
- Advocate for companies and industries before Congress
- Sought-after speaker for product safety, regulatory, and public policy events

### **Keller and Heckman, LLP (Washington, DC)**

*Counsel – (1/2021-Present)*

- Advised clients in a variety of industries on federal, state, local, and international regulatory obligations, especially product safety, packaging, labeling, and consumer protection issues
- Represented companies in agency proceedings before US, Canadian, EU, Australian, and other regulators
- Advocated for companies and industries before Congress
- Sought-after speaker for product safety, regulatory, and public policy events

### **Schiff Hardin, LLP (Washington, DC)**

*Counsel – (12/2018-1/2021)*

- Advised clients on various regulatory obligations, including domestic and international product safety, motor vehicle, food & beverage, and aviation issues
- Represented companies in agency proceedings before US, Canadian, EU, Australian, and other regulators
- Frequent author of articles regarding developments in regulatory, product safety, and product liability law and policy
- Frequent speaker on regulatory and product safety matters
- Media appearances included NBC News, Washington Post, Forbes, Law360
- Testified before Congress on product safety issues

### **Polaris Industries, Inc. (Medina, MN)**

*Regulatory Affairs Attorney – (3/2017-11/2018)*

- Advised internal stakeholders on federal regulatory obligations, primarily in the area of product safety, and craft strategies for ensuring compliance while best protecting the company's rights and position as market-leader
- Advised on global product recall across more than 40 jurisdictions, including EU, with primary responsibility for Asia Pacific and Latin America
- Represented company in agency proceedings
- Managed company relationships with regulators at staff and political levels
- Collaborated with peers in trade associations and legal and product safety organizations

- (2018) Served as Government Relations Manager, representing company before federal and local policymakers, advocating for company's policy agenda, and managing contract lobbyists in 14 states

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Bethesda, MD)**

*Office of Commissioner Joseph P. Mohorovic – Senior Counsel (9/2014-3/2017)*

- Led effort to reform Commission's rules of practice to prevent usurpation of Commission authority by Commission Counsel and Administrative Law Judges
- Led effort to reform Commission's regulations governing fireworks
- Played leading role and provided legal, political, and communications analysis and support for initiative to reduce paperwork burden on CPSC-regulated companies by \$250 million annually
- Served as senior legal advisor to Commissioner for policy, enforcement, and ethics issues
- Negotiated agreements with other Commission offices, senior staff, and external stakeholders

**Fotheringill & Wade, LLC (Towson, MD)**

*Associate Attorney (8/2013-9/2014)*

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Bethesda, MD)**

*Office of Commissioner Nancy Nord – Law Clerk (7/2011-1/2012)*

**Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL)**

*Public Affairs Radio Producer (6/2008-7/2009)*

**Clear Channel Radio (Tallahassee, FL & San Antonio, TX)**

*Florida's Radio Network – Capital Bureau Chief (10/2005-7/2007)*

*KTKR-AM/WOAI-AM – Executive Producer (2/2005-10/2005)*

*WNLS-AM – Executive Producer (3/2003-2/2005)*

EDUCATION

**George Washington Univ. Law School (Washington, DC), J.D. 2012**

- Publication: *Riding the Trails to Bad Law*, 47 REAL PROP., TRUST & ESTATE L. J. 173
- Journal: Federal Circuit Bar Journal
- Competitions: Nat'l Vet. Law Moot Court (2011), Nat'l Sec. Law Moot Court (2012)

**Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL), M.A. (Communication), 2009**

**Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL), B.A. (History), 2003**

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization (ICPHSO)
    - o Member, Board of Directors (2022-Present)
  - Crofton Village, Section 7 Homeowners Association
    - o Member, Board of Directors (2021-Present)
  - Crofton Valley Pool & Recreation Association
    - o Member, Board of Directors (2022-Present)
  - Military Veterans in Journalism
    - o Member, Board of Directors (2019-2023)
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