



Bryant Gardner

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Bryant has a diverse practice providing Federal regulatory and policy advice to a wide variety of public and private sector clients, with expertise in United States Government promotional programs and contracts, transactions, and Federal litigation involving regulated entities and Federal programs.

With over two decades in Winston & Strawn's Washington, D.C. office, Bryant's experience includes a mixture of transactional, government relations, litigation, and advisory work on Federal legislative, regulatory, and contractual matters. He has extensive experience representing regulated entities, government contractors and grantees, public entities, and other clients before the Congress, Federal Courts, Customs and Border Protection, Government Accountability Office, Department of Defense, Federal Maritime Commission, Department of Transportation, Coast Guard, and Maritime Administration. Additionally, he has deep expertise in a broad array of maritime, transportation, and logistics matters.

Recent Experience

GenNx360 Capital Partners in its Acquisition of Shenandoah Industrial Solutions

Winston Represented MCE Holdings in its Acquisition of Daughtridge Sales Company

Winston Represented Zipline Logistics in its Acquisition of Summit Eleven

Winston Represented Whitsons Culinary Group in its Acquisition of Fresh Picks Café

Winston Represented MCE Holdings in Its Acquisition of Nova Hydraulics

ISG Enterprises Acquisition of Sunnyside

The Sterling Group Creation of Compost360 and Acquisition of Nature's Choice

Arbor Investments' Acquisition of Oregon Freeze Dry

Citadel Defense Co.'s Acquisition by BlueHalo

Holicity Inc. Business Combination with Astra

Recognitions

- Recognized, Chambers *USA* for Transportation: Shipping/Maritime: Regulatory (2012–2024)
 - Recognized, *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Admiralty and Maritime Law (2023–2025)
 - Recognized, *The Legal 500 U.S.*—
 - for Transport: Shipping: Finance (2018–2020), “Key Lawyer” (2024)
 - for Transport: Shipping: Litigation and Regulation, “Key Lawyer” (2021–2024)
 - *Who's Who Legal* as a recommended “Global Leader” in Transport Shipping (2023–2024)
 - Winston & Strawn's admiralty and maritime group has been recognized by U.S. News and World Reports - *Best Lawyers* “Law Firm of the Year” in Admiralty & Maritime Law for 2011–2012.
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Activities

Bryant serves on the Boards of the Maritime Administrative Bar Association and the Propeller Club of the Port of Washington, D.C. (President 2012-2014), and is a proctor member of the Maritime Law Association of the United States. He is also a regular columnist in Benedict's Maritime Bulletin, where he writes the “Window on Washington” column.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Bryant received a B.A. in Political Economy, *summa cum laude*, from Tulane University in 1996, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He received a J.D., Certificate in Admiralty, *cum laude*, from Tulane Law School in 2000, where he was editor-in-chief for the *Tulane Maritime Law Journal*.

ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia

LANGUAGES

- Spanish

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