
Ronald C. Machen Confirmed as United States Attorney for the District of Columbia

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On Thursday, February 11, 2010, the United States Senate confirmed WilmerHale Partner Ronald C. Machen as the new United States Attorney for the District of Columbia. Ron, a member of [WilmerHale's Investigations and Criminal Litigation Practice Group](#), was nominated for the position in December by President Obama.

Ron first joined WilmerHale in 1993 and later served as an Assistant United States Attorney from 1997 to 2001, after which he rejoined the firm. Since 2001, Ron has represented individuals and corporate clients in the areas of white-collar criminal defense, regulatory enforcement, corporate compliance and complex civil litigation. He has advised and defended numerous Fortune 500 companies in high profile government investigations of alleged securities law violations, accounting and health care fraud inquiries and government procurement fraud matters. He has also litigated commercial disputes in state and federal courts concerning misappropriation of trade secrets, unfair competition, breach of contract and civil rights law violations and has frequently represented corporations in the various civil litigation that often follows regulatory investigations and enforcement actions.

“While he will be missed, we are proud of Ron and know he will serve the country well in his new role,” said WilmerHale’s Co-Managing Partner William J. Perlstein. “We wish him continued success in his new position.”