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Derek Woodman focuses his practice on appellate and government and regulatory litigation and strategy. He has a broad range of trial and appellate experience representing clients with respect to novel statutory and constitutional issues, including under the Administrative Procedure Act, the False Claims Act, the Clayton Act, the federal securities laws, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, the First Amendment, the dormant Commerce Clause, and the Supremacy Clause.

Mr. Woodman also has substantial experience in litigation involving the government and quasi-governmental entities. He recently represented United Farm Workers in a successful challenge to a federal regulation that would have substantially reduced the compensation owed to US farmworkers. Mr. Woodman and his WilmerHale colleagues also recently won a \$180 million federal court judgment against Iran and the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps on behalf of *The Washington Post* journalist Jason Rezaian, who was held hostage and tortured by the Iranian regime. And he was part of the trial team that successfully defended the merger of T-Mobile and Sprint against challenges from Attorneys General from 13 states and the District of Columbia in a landmark antitrust trial in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Woodman served as a law clerk for the Honorable Kenneth F. Ripple of the US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

Solutions

Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation

Environmental Litigation and Enforcement Defense

Litigation

Recognition

- Selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch for his government relations and appellate practice in 2023
- Recognized as a "Rising Star" for civil litigation in the 2022, 2021 and 2020 editions of Washington DC Super Lawyers

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, The George Washington University Law School, 2014

with highest honors

Senior Production Editor, The George Washington Law Review, Order of the Coif, Moot Court Board

BA, Political Science and History, University of Michigan, 2009

ADMISSIONS

Michigan

District of Columbia

CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Kenneth F. Ripple, US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 2014 - 2015