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April represents clients on national security, international trade, and trade policy matters. She counsels clients on supply chain risk and compliance with customs laws. Drawing on her experience in economic analysis of trade remedy and supply chain matters, April advises clients across a broad range of industries including batteries, critical minerals, semiconductors, software, metals, and machinery.

Representative Matters

- Provides strategic counsel in connection with industrial policy and supply chains to clients engaging in public-private consortia, securing cross-border investments, and utilizing public funding and finance vehicles.
- Obtains import and export permits, licenses, and exclusions in compliance with customs laws, Section 232 national security orders, export controls, and economic sanctions.
- Advises clients on the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), Foreign Ownership, Control, or Influence (FOCI) mitigation for cleared facilities, and the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA).
- Prepares trade remedy filings for litigation and submissions with the U.S Department of Commerce (DOC), the U.S International Trade Commission (ITC), and the U.S Court of International Trade (CIT).
- Drafted comments on international trade and national security policy and regulations for clients in the battery, critical minerals, and industrial machinery sectors.

Practice Areas

Customs Law and Compliance
International Trade
National Security
Strategic Competition & Supply Chain
Trade Policy and Trade Negotiations

Credentials

Education
J.D., American University Washington College of Law
B.A., University of Michigan

Bar and Court Memberships
District of Columbia Bar

Languages
Mandarin Chinese

- Drafted allegations of circumvention of trade laws for submission through CBP's e-Allegations Program on behalf of U.S. industry.
- Represented D.C. nonprofit organization pro bono client in drafting and advocating for the passage of legislation in the Washington, D.C. City Council.

Professional Experience

- Law Clerk/Analyst (2024 - 2025), Trade Analytics Specialist (2022-2025), Trade Analytics Coordinator (2020-2022), Paralegal (2019-2020), Wiley Rein LLP
- Dean's Fellow, Trade, Investment, and Development Program, American University Washington College of Law (2022)
- Advocacy and Community Engagement Intern, United Nations Foundation (2019)
- Intern, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Legislative Affairs (2018)
- Judicial Intern, U.S. District Court, E.D. Mich., Chief Judge Denise Page Hood (2018)
- Intern, Office of U.S. Senator Tim Scott (2017)
- Founder and President, Michigan Foreign Policy Council, University of Michigan (2017)
- Michigan Library Scholars Research Intern, University of Michigan Library (2016)

Affiliations

- Customs and International Trade Bar Association (CITBA)
- National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) International Law Committee (2023-Present)
- Asian Pacific American Bar Association of the Greater Washington, D.C. Area (APABA-DC)
- Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YPFP), International Trade & Finance Group Chair (2021 - 2025)