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George serves as a consultant to Wiley. George has extensive experience with U.S. and international hazardous materials and dangerous goods transportation regulations. He also served as the Executive Director of PRBA – The Rechargeable Battery Association and represented PRBA and other battery trade associations at domestic and international transportation forums such as the United Nations Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Dangerous Goods Panel, and the International Maritime Organization (IMO). He has experience in the environmental policy and regulatory fields and focuses on issues affecting the rechargeable battery industries as well as the portable electronics and electric vehicle industries. He also has extensive experience with state and federal battery collection and recycling legislation. He conducts hazardous materials/dangerous goods training programs for shippers of lithium metal batteries and lithium ion batteries, portable electronic equipment, and electric vehicles.

Representative Matters

- Monitors domestic and international legislative and regulatory developments affecting various segments of the rechargeable battery and electronics industries, including transportation and battery collection and recycling developments in the U.S., Europe, Asia, and Latin America.
- Interacts frequently with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), the International Air Transport Association, the International Civil Aviation Organization, the United Nations Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous

Practice Areas

Environment & Product Regulation
Extended Producer Responsibility and Recycling
Product Safety
Strategic Competition & Supply Chain

Credentials

Education

M.A., The Johns Hopkins University
B.A., University of Maryland

Goods, the IMO, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

- Attends domestic and international transportation forums on hazardous materials/dangerous goods regulations and drafts proposed changes to the regulations affecting the battery and electronics industries.
- Conducts hazardous materials/dangerous goods training programs throughout the U.S.
- Secures Competent Authority Approvals and Special Permits from the U.S. DOT, foreign government agencies, and airlines for shippers of hazardous materials/dangerous goods.

Affiliations

- Lithium Battery Safety Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) (2018-2024)
- Lithium-Ion Car Battery Recycling Advisory Committee, California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) (2019-2021)
- Industry Participant, International Civil Aviation Organization, Dangerous Goods Panel (2008-2025)
- Executive Director, PRBA - The Rechargeable Battery Association (2008-2025)
- Observer, United Nations, Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (2005-2025)