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Dan leverages a deep understanding of telecommunications regulation and the broader legal landscape to help clients achieve their business goals. He provides practical and creative advice, develops persuasive policy advocacy, and represents clients in court appeals of agency matters. In an era in which courts play a larger role than ever in shaping regulation, Dan's mix of legal depth, regulatory knowledge, and policymaking experience make him stand out.

His practice encompasses federal and state telecommunications regulation, emerging Internet issues, funding programs, online privacy frameworks, and consumer protection laws. He co-teaches a telecommunications law course at Georgetown Law School.

Prior to joining WBK, Dan spent eight years in leadership positions in the Federal Communications Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau. There, Dan guided net neutrality and broadband infrastructure proceedings, implementation of caller ID authentication and the Robocall Mitigation Database, transaction reviews, and many other agency actions. He is especially proud of his contributions to establishing 988 as the three-digit code for the national suicide prevention hotline.

Today, courts make many of the most important decisions regarding agencies, and Dan regularly represents clients in court appeals concerning agency matters. He and the WBK team prevailed before the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of industry associations in FCC v. Consumers' Research, which affirmed the constitutionality of the Universal Service Fund.

Dan is a graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School. Outside of work, Dan enjoys spending time with his kids, baking bread and cooking, playing card and board games, attempting to play sports, and science fiction/fantasy.

Honors

Recognized in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch for Communications Law (2025)

PRACTICE AREAS

Telecommunications and Media

Voice Communications

Privacy and Data Protection

Administrative and Court Litigation

Broadband and IP-Enabled Services

Communications Transactions

FCC Enforcement

FTC, Advertising and Consumer Protection

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

EDUCATION

J.D., cum laude, Harvard Law School

B.A. with Honors in Political Science, Yale University

Publications

Co-Author (with Brian Murray), The International Comparative Legal Guide to Telecoms, Media, & Internet Laws and Regulations 2023 (chapter on United States law)