

# J. Michael Taylor (Michael)

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Michael Taylor leads the Customs practice for King & Spalding's International Trade Team. He specializes in complex customs matters, international shipping matters, and trade remedy (anti-dumping and countervailing duty) litigation. Mike represents U.S. companies and manufacturers in a range of trade-related regulatory, customs, and Homeland Security matters.

With respect to customs compliance and Homeland Security matters, Mike advises clients in a number of sectors, including pharmaceuticals, medical devices, chemicals, textiles, agriculture, aerospace, energy, and consumer products. Mike assists clients with government investigations, customs audits, internal compliance investigations, prior disclosures, and penalty mitigation concerning import discrepancies; obtaining customs rulings; developing logistics and trade compliance programs; and assessing the trade-related aspects of international mergers and acquisitions. He also advises clients on trading implications of government procurement provisions like the Buy American Act.

On the trade remedy front, Mike represents U.S. manufacturers in administrative and appellate litigation to obtain relief from unfairly traded imports in anti-dumping and countervailing duty proceedings.

Mike appears on behalf of clients before the Department of Commerce, the International Trade Commission, the Binational Panels established under free trade agreements, the Court of International Trade, and the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. He also routinely interacts with U.S. border agencies, including U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Food and Drug Administration, the Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Department of Agriculture.

Mike is a regular author and speaker on trade and related topics.

## Matters

Represents **U.S. manufacturers** in administrative and appellate litigation to obtain relief from unfairly traded imports in antidumping and countervailing duty proceedings. For example, Mike has represented manufacturers in proceedings involving Wooden Bedroom Furniture from China; PET

Film from Brazil and China; Magnesia Carbon Bricks from China and Mexico; Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags from China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam; Pipe Fittings from China; Off-the-Road Tires from China; and Gray Portland Cement from Mexico.

Represents **clients in complex trade compliance matters** before the border agencies concerning import violations, classification, valuation declarations and origin determinations.

Routinely supports clients' import activities by assisting with regulatory compliance assessments, prior disclosures, the development and implementation of trade compliance policies and procedures, and the treatment of specific entry-related questions.

Counseled multiple clients on **country-of-origin claims and product marking**, including the representation of clients in civil litigation involving damages claims arising from reliance on certificates of origin.

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

LL.M., Georgetown University, with distinction  
J.D., The University of Alabama, magna cum laude  
B.A., Duke University

### ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit  
U.S. Court of International Trade  
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida  
Alabama  
District of Columbia  
Florida

### ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association  
Maritime Law Association of the United States  
Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute  
Transportation Lawyers Association  
Customs International Trade Bar Association

## Recognition

Ranked Lawyer: International Trade—U.S. Customs

CHAMBERS GLOBAL AND CHAMBERS USA

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"He is thoughtful, thorough and exceptionally knowledgeable and deliberate in his handling of client matters."

CHAMBERS USA NATIONWIDE: INTERNATIONAL TRADE-CUSTOMS (2021)

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Key Partner for King & Spalding

LEGAL 500: INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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Key Partner for King & Spalding's Trade Practice

LATIN LAWYER 250

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Top Rated International Lawyer: Washington, D.C.

SUPER LAWYERS

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## Insights

### CLIENT ALERT

*October 4, 2021*

USTR Ambassador Tai Provides New Details About the Administration's China Trade Policy

*September 27, 2021*

Biden Administration Continues Taking Action to Strengthen U.S. Supply Chains

*August 3, 2021*

Biden Administration Issues Proposed Buy American Regulations

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## Events

### WEBINAR

*September 28, 2021*

USMCA – Lessons Learned After the First Year: Origin, Labor, Autos, & Energy

*May 5, 2021*

The Biden Administration's First 100 Days: An Analysis of Key Developments in International Trade

*February 23, 2021*

Key Food and Beverage Issues: Challenges and Opportunities in 2021

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## News

### IN THE NEWS

*September 1, 2021 • Source: SupplyChainBrain*

Michael Taylor discusses the major factors that are influencing American manufacturers' decisions on whether to shift production from Asia back to the U.S.

*August 5, 2021 • Source: AP*

Michael Taylor comments on the trade war between the United States and China

### RECOGNITION

*October 19, 2021*

Latin Lawyer 250 Again Recognizes King & Spalding Among the Region's Leading International Law Firms

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