

## ADAM G. UNIKOWSKY, Partner

*Adam G. Unikowsky is a partner in the Litigation Department and a member of the Appellate and Supreme Court, Communications and Technology Litigation Practices. Since 2016, he has won eight Supreme Court cases as lead counsel. He also handles high-stakes appellate and district court litigation in numerous areas of law, including patent law, telecommunications law and securities law.*

Mr. Unikowsky litigates cases in the US Supreme Court, appellate courts, trial courts and administrative agencies. At the US Supreme Court, he has won eight cases as lead counsel. Among those cases were *Kokesh v. SEC*, a case limiting the SEC's power to obtain disgorgement, which led to *Law360* recognizing him as a Securities Law "MVP of the Year." He also prevailed in *Washington Department of Licensing v. Cougar Den*, a tax dispute that turned on the interpretation of an Indian treaty. Mr. Unikowsky has also filed Supreme Court amicus briefs on a wide range of subjects, such as commercial speech, class arbitration and FOIA.

Mr. Unikowsky also litigates cases in federal appellate and district courts. He has particular expertise and experience in patent law, both in the Federal Circuit and in federal district courts, in which he focuses on cases involving computer and electrical engineering technologies. He has also litigated cases in several other substantive areas, including securities law, telecommunications, insurance, copyright, energy and government contracts. He has also handled telecommunications disputes in federal and state administrative agencies.

Mr. Unikowsky is admitted to practice in the state of New York and the District of Columbia.

### Awards

- *Washingtonian*  
"Top Supreme Court Lawyers" – 2017, 2018
- *Law360*  
"MVP of the Year" – 2017  
"Rising Star" Appellate – 2017
- *Chambers USA*  
Appellate Law (Nationwide) – 2018-2020
- *The National Law Journal*  
"DC Rising Star" – 2017
- *Legal 500*
  - "Next Generation Lawyer" - Appellate: Supreme Courts (States and Federal) – 2020, 2021
  - Dispute Resolution - Appellate - Supreme Courts (States and Federal) – 2017-2020, 2021
  - Media, Technology and Telecoms: Telecoms and Broadcast: Regulatory – 2016



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### PRACTICE GROUPS

Appellate and Supreme Court Practice  
Aviation and Aerospace  
Communications, Internet and Technology  
Information Technology Disputes  
Intellectual Property  
ITC Section 337  
Litigation  
Native American Law  
Patent Litigation and Counseling  
Technology and Sourcing

### INDUSTRY GROUPS

Life Sciences

### EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, JD, 2007; *magna cum laude*; Articles Co-Chair, Harvard Law Review

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, M. Eng., 2004

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, SB, 2003

### ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, 2009

New York, 2008

### COURT ADMISSIONS

US Supreme Court

US Court of Appeals, First Circuit

US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

US Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

US Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

- LGBT Bar Association “Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40” – 2017
- *Washington, DC Super Lawyers*  
“Rising Star” Appellate – 2014-2016  
“Rising Star” General Litigation – 2014-2015  
“Rising Star” Communications – 2014  
“Rising Star” Intellectual Property Litigation – 2015
- Albert E. Jenner, Jr. Pro Bono Award – 2014
- *Best Lawyers in America*  
Appellate Practice - 2021, 2022

## Publications

- Co-Author, Client Alert: Second Circuit Decision Revives Landlord’s Fight for Rights amid Pandemic Ordinances, November 4, 2021
- Co-Author, “Two Circuits Hold Statute of Limitations Does Not Apply to SEC Employment, Officer, and Director Bars,” *ABA Securities Litigation Journal*, January 5, 2021
- Co-Author, Client Alert: Two Circuits Hold Statute of Limitations Does Not Apply To SEC Employment, Officer, and Director Bars, November 11, 2020
- Client Alert: Co-Author, US Supreme Court Holds that Classwide Arbitration is Unavailable Unless the Parties Clearly Agree to It, April 26, 2019
- Co-Author, “You May Never Be Free Of Liability, If The SEC Has Its Way,” *Risk & Compliance*, April-June 2019
- “After *Kokesh*, Does the SEC Have a New Time Limit for Claims Seeking an Officer or Director Bar?” *ABA Securities Litigation Journal*, August 25, 2018
- The US Supreme Court Allows Collection of State Sales Tax From Remote Sellers, June 27, 2018
- Client Alert: The Supreme Court Reaffirms The Reach And Force Of The Federal Arbitration Act, This Time In Employment Cases, May 22, 2018
- “Supreme Court Upholds, and Changes, IPR Administrative Patent Challenges in Oil States and SAS”, April 25, 2018
- Co-Author, Client Alert: *Kokesh v. SEC*, June 8, 2017
- Co-Author, “Family Stability Hinges on Outcome in Court’s Handling of Gay Adoption,” *National Law Journal*, December 21, 2015
- Insurance Law Update: “District Court Rejects Insurers’ ‘Restitution’ Defense in Holding that a Final Adjudication Requirement Applies to An Uninsurable Exception to the Definition of ‘Loss’”, May 27, 2015
- Hospitality and Gaming Legal Review 2015, February 5, 2015
- Client Alert: US Supreme Court Narrows Patentability of Software Algorithms, June 19, 2014

US Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit  
US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit  
US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit  
US Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit  
US Court of Appeals, DC Circuit  
US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit  
US District Court, District of Columbia  
US District Court, Northern District of Florida  
US Court of Federal Claims

## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Hon. Antonin Scalia, US Supreme Court, 2010 - 2011  
Hon. Douglas H. Ginsburg, US Court of Appeals, DC Circuit, 2007 - 2008

- “Below-Limits Settlements Do Not Result In The Loss of Excess Coverage – *Zeig* Remains Guiding Precedent, Even Post-*Ali*,” *Mealey’s Litigation Report: Construction Defects Insurance*, June 11, 2014
- Insurance Law Update: “Connecticut Supreme Court Holds That Injuries To Multiple Nursing Home Residents Caused By Fire Are Not ‘Related Medical Incidents’”, May 2014
- “Below-Limits Settlements Do Not Result In The Loss Of Excess Coverage – *Zeig* Remains Guiding Precedent, Even Post-*Ali*,” *Mealey’s Litigation Report: Insurance*, April 30, 2014
- “Below-limits settlements with underlying insurers are sufficient for obtaining excess insurance coverage,” *Lexology*, April 30, 2012

## **Speaking Engagements**

- Firm’s Chicago Office Hosts US Supreme Court 2017 Term in Review Program, June 27, 2018
- Panelist, “US Supreme Court Update,” Retail Law Conference, October 10, 2017
- Panelist, “LGBT Law Year in Review,” Jenner & Block and the LGBT Bar Association of DC, October 27, 2016