

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, Mr. Unikowsky has won eight cases as lead counsel. In six of those cases, Mr. Unikowsky represented the petitioner and filed a successful petition for certiorari. Mr. Unikowsky has been recognized by "[Empirical SCOTUS](#)" as the attorney in the United States with the highest statistical rate of success in Supreme Court merits cases; he has also separately been recognized by "[Empirical SCOTUS](#)" as the attorney in the United States with the highest statistical rate of success at obtaining grants of certiorari. In 2017, he argued three cases within a 28-day span, leading to unanimous victories in all three. 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." Mr. Unikowsky has also filed Supreme Court amicus briefs on a wide range of subjects, such as commercial speech, class arbitration, and FOIA.

At the appellate level, Mr. Unikowsky litigates appeals in a wide range of areas, including securities law, patent law, telecommunications, and government contracts. At the trial level, Mr. Unikowsky regularly litigates patent cases involving a wide range of computer and electrical engineering technologies. He has litigated cases in several other substantive areas, including telecommunications, insurance, copyright, energy, and government contracts. He has also handled telecommunications disputes in federal and state administrative agencies.

Mr. Unikowsky is a member of the Edward Coke Appellate Inn of Court. He 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 - 2018, 2019
- *The National Law Journal*
"DC Rising Star" – 2017
- *Legal 500*



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PRACTICE GROUPS

Appellate and Supreme Court Practice
Aviation and Aerospace
Communications, Internet and Technology
Indian Law
Information Technology Disputes
Intellectual Property
Litigation
Patent Litigation and Counseling
Technology and Sourcing

INDUSTRY GROUPS

Life Sciences

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., 2007; *magna cum laude*; Articles Co-Chair, Harvard Law Review

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, M. Eng., 2004

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, S.B., 2003

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, 2009

New York, 2008

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

- Dispute Resolution - Appellate - Supreme Court (Federal and State) – 2017
 - Media, Technology and Telecoms: Telecoms and Broadcast: Regulatory – 2016
 - LGBT Bar Association "Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40" – 2017
 - *Washington, D.C. 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
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit
U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP**
Hon. Antonin Scalia, U.S. Supreme Court 2010 - 2011 (Clerkship)
Hon. Douglas H. Ginsburg, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit 2007 - 2008 (Clerkship)

Publications

- 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
- 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: U.S. Supreme Court Narrows Patentability of Software Algorithms, June 19, 2014
- "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

- "Connecticut Supreme Court Holds That Injuries To Multiple Nursing Home Residents Caused By Fire Are Not 'Related Medical Incidents'" *Insurance Law Update*, 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