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OVERVIEW

Sean McGlynn leads the Federal Funding & Appropriations Group within the K&L Gates D.C. public policy practice. In that capacity he advises a broad range of clients on federal funding, policy, and government contract issues in the Congressional budget and appropriations process. He tends to focus on national security, defense, and emerging technology issues; but he also has extensive experience with non-defense policy issues.

Sean advises a number of clients in the commercial spaceflight and national security space launch industries on matters related to reusable launch vehicles, satellite imagery, satellite servicing, space-based manufacturing and robotics, and the commercialization of Low-Earth Orbit (LEO). He regularly advises clients on these issues as they relate to the annual National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), the Defense Appropriations Bill, and the Commerce, Justice, Science (CJS) Appropriations Bill.

Sean is also active on cybersecurity and information technology policy issues. He has worked extensively on policy initiatives intended to strengthen the cybersecurity of small- and medium-sized manufacturers who are operating in the U.S. defense supply chain. For example, he helped enact into law both the Enhance Cybersecurity for Small Manufacturers Act of 2018 and the Small Manufacturer Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2020, which assist small manufacturers in complying with Department of Defense cybersecurity requirements. Sean also works with the Quantum Industry Coalition, which is the trade association for numerous companies working on quantum science, quantum computing, and cryptography. He assisted the coalition with the enactment into law of the National Quantum Initiative Act, which established a U.S. national strategy for the development of quantum technologies.

Additionally, Sean is a primary advisor to the U.S. motorcoach industry on issues related to security preparedness, tourism, and travel. And Sean also works with a number of non-profit organizations whose mission is to enhance the effectiveness of U.S. poverty-focused foreign assistance. In that capacity he has worked on issues related to expanding access to clean drinking water and adequate sanitation in the developing world, pandemic preparedness, global food security and nutrition, and child and maternal health. He helped to enact into law both the Water for the World Act of 2014 and the Global Food Security Act of 2016.

EDUCATION

- B.S., Santa Clara University, 2004

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 26 August 2019, Congress and the President Strike a “Huuuge” Budget Deal: What It Means and Opportunities (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 9 January 2019, The National Quantum Initiative Act: A Bid for U.S. Quantum Leadership (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 12 December 2018, Congressional Earmarks Could Soon Return: Will You Be Ready? (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 13 November 2018, The Return of Sequester-Level Budget Cuts (*Alerts/Updates*)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Public Policy and Law
- U.S. National Security Law and Policy