ECKERT SEAMANS

Infrastructure and Transportation

OVERVIEW

Strategic Counsel Across the Infrastructure Lifecycle

Eckert Seamans' Infrastructure team guides complex projects from concept to completion, advising on every phase of development—bidding, contracting, financing, licensing, procurement, construction, hiring, operations, and disposition. We represent developers, contractors, lenders, investors, government agencies, suppliers, and other key stakeholders. Our experience spans domestic and international projects, including public-private partnerships (P3), and covers all major infrastructure asset classes: Transportation and Transit, Social, Utilities, Energy, and Digital.

Infrastructure Expertise Across Sectors

We provide full-service legal counsel across a wide range of infrastructure sectors, including:

- **Transportation Systems:** Airports, highways, bridges, public transit, and intermodal hubs
- **Energy & Utilities:** Power generation, transmission, distribution, and renewable energy projects
- **Digital Infrastructure:** Broadband expansion, smart city technologies, and data centers
- **Social Infrastructure:** Schools, hospitals, housing, and civic buildings
- **Environmental & Sustainability Projects:** Water systems, waste management, and climate resilience

Our attorneys advise on procurement, construction, environmental compliance, labor and employment, real estate, public finance, and dispute resolution. We help clients navigate complex regulatory frameworks and deliver innovative solutions that align with evolving infrastructure demands.

Innovative Project Finance and Grant Management

We structure funding solutions that combine public and private capital, leveraging federal and state grants, alternative financing structures, and traditional mechanisms. Our team provides end-to-end support—from identifying opportunities to managing implementation.

We routinely work with agencies such as the DOE, FEMA, and FTA, helping municipalities secure and manage federal funding. For example, we supported a client in securing a $600,000 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant from the DOE, providing legal and compliance support throughout the grant lifecycle.

Regulatory & Legislative Leadership

Our team includes former congressional leaders and seasoned regulatory professionals, offering unmatched insight into the legal, political, and budgetary dimensions of infrastructure. We maintain strong relationships with agencies such as the DOT, FAA, TSA, and CBP, and regularly engage with regulators, insurers, utilities, and other stakeholders to advance client objectives.

Transportation: A Multidisciplinary Approach

Transportation law is dynamic and multifaceted. Eckert Seamans addresses the full spectrum of legal, regulatory, and compliance issues affecting transportation companies and organizations. Our Transportation Group is built around two core disciplines—Aviation and Public Transit—and leverages the firm's full-service capabilities to ensure safe, timely, and compliant movement of people and goods.

Aviation

We represent domestic and international airlines, airport operators, and industry vendors. Our aviation services include:

- FAA and DOT licensing and compliance
- TSA and customs/immigration guidance

- Charter authority and operational authorizations
- Aircraft purchase, leasing, and financing
- Employment law counsel
- Gate leases, airport fees, and operational issues
- Litigation, tax, and trademark representation

We also advise public and private entities on airport development, maintenance, and expansion, including terminal construction, concession renegotiation, safety improvements, and intermodal connectivity.

Public Transit

Transit operators face complex legal demands across real estate, infrastructure, vehicle ownership, workforce management, and operations. Our Public Transit Group provides nationwide counsel on:

- Government affairs and procurement
- Regulatory compliance
- Pension and employee benefits
- Public financing
- Construction contracts
- Labor and workforce issues
- Real estate and eminent domain
- Supplier contracts

We represent clients before the FTA, DOT, DOL, Congress, and in state and federal courts.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

We support municipalities and infrastructure owners in deploying EV charging stations. Our services include:

- Grant research and writing
- RFP development
- Contract negotiation and review
- Strategic partnerships with manufacturers like ChargePoint
- Why EV Charging Matters
- Supports clean energy transition
- Attracts residents and businesses
- Generates revenue
- Reduces local air pollution
- Demonstrates environmental leadership
- Funding Sources
- Federal and state grants
- Local “make-ready” funding

Contact us to learn how our Infrastructure and Transportation Practice Group can help advance your next project.