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**PRACTICES** Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation, International, Export Controls and Trade Compliance, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), Copyright, Intellectual Property, Trademark Litigation

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Whether in his role providing regulatory advice or as trademark counsel, Scott Benfield takes a disciplined approach to his practice providing clients with the confidence that their issues are receiving the attention they deserve.

During his career, Scott has advised a wide array of clients, including numerous Fortune 500 companies, on complex international trade and U.S. economic sanctions issues, with a specific focus on the export of defense articles regulated under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), as well as, hardware and software containing encryption functionality regulated under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR). Scott has assisted companies with formulating regulatory compliance programs which manage the difficult task of balancing compliance with maintaining viable business practices. When problems arise, Scott has guided clients through internal investigations and the voluntary disclosure process for matters before the U.S. Departments of State, Treasury and Commerce.

Apart from his regulatory work, Scott also provides counsel on trademark and copyright issues, providing guidance on the application process as well as the filing and responding to trademark opposition and cancellation proceedings.

Scott is very active in Washington, D.C. pro bono activities, having represented clients in Social Security disability appeals as well as landlord/tenant disputes.

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## QUALIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

- J.D., George Mason University School of Law, 2000
- M.A., State University of New York at Buffalo, 1997
- B.A., University of Florida, 1994,

*with honors*

### ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia

- Maryland
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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- Maryland State Bar Association