

Partner

Austin Bonner

+1 202 730 1343

abonner@hwglaw.com



PRACTICES

Telecom

Issues and Appeals

Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., magna cum laude

University of Texas at Austin, B.A., high honors

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Texas

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Austin helps clients navigate the toughest challenges in technology and telecommunications law. As a regulatory strategist, she guides organizations and businesses through an evolving regulatory landscape by engaging policymakers and building coalitions. She has advised clients on regulatory actions at the FCC and other federal agencies, with a focus on internet regulation, spectrum issues, accessibility, and broadband. As a trusted advisor, Austin partners with product and engineering teams to confidently manage legal risks at the early stages of design even when their technologies have outpaced the law. As an appellate advocate, she has a proven track record of translating complex technical issues for judges.

Before returning to private practice, Austin held senior roles at the White House and the FCC. As Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and Deputy U.S. Chief Technology Officer for Policy, she spearheaded a wide range of White House initiatives on technology, telecommunications, and artificial intelligence including the National Spectrum Strategy, communications security and reliability, national security issues, and competition. She also served as the inaugural Vice Chair of the Chief AI Officers Council and the Deputy Director of the National AI Initiative Office, aligning AI efforts across the federal government and facilitating transformative AI applications within federal agencies. At the FCC, Austin advised Commissioner Geoffrey Starks on wireline, public safety, and national security issues and served as his Acting Chief of Staff.

PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES

Partner

Austin Bonner

+1 202 730 1343

abonner@hwglaw.com

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentations and Lectures

- "Keynote Address by the Assistant Director for Spectrum Telecom Policy at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy," (Keynote Speaker), Silicon Flatirons Center, (October, 2022)
- "Remarks of Austin Bonner, Luncheon Speaker," (Keynote Speaker), The Media Institute 2023 Communications Forum Speakers, (April, 2023)
- "Everything Policy Program Keynote: Austin Bonner," (Keynote Speaker), MWC-23 Law Vegas, (October 2023)
- "Innovation in the Age of Regulation," (Panelist), EU@SXSW 2024, (March, 2024)
- "Policy and Innovation Connect@SXSW," (Panelist), SXSW 2024, (March, 2024)