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**OVERVIEW**

Brian practices in transportation, administrative, and public law, focusing on the development of major infrastructure projects by public and private entities. He advises clients on procurement matters and legal issues related to the planning, construction, financing, and operation of infrastructure projects.

Brian is experienced in general counsel representation of government agencies, legislative strategy, drafting and negotiating interlocal and interagency agreements, acquisition of right-of-way, and regulatory compliance. This includes advising on issues related to open meetings and open records and ethics.

**AWARDS**

- *Best Lawyers in America®*, "Lawyer of the Year" Austin, Administrative/Regulatory Law (2026)
- *Best Lawyers in America®*, Administrative/Regulatory Law (2024)
- *Best Lawyers in America®: Ones to Watch*, Transportation Law (2023)

**TOP AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Government + Regulatory
- Lobbying + Public Affairs
- Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement
- Transportation

**ALL AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Government + Regulatory
- Lobbying + Public Affairs
- Real Estate
- Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement
- Transportation

## PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce
- Member, Opportunity Austin
- Member, Real Estate Council of Austin
- Member, Austin Bar Association
- Member, Austin Young Lawyers Association
- Leadership Austin Essential Class (2017)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Commission assistant, Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas (2009-2010)
- Chief committee clerk, Texas House of Representatives Transportation Committee, Austin, Texas (2009)
- Legislative assistant, Office of Texas State Sen Kim Brimer, Austin, TX (2006-2008)

## EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

- The University of Texas School of Law, J.D., 2010, staff member, *Texas International Law Journal*
- The University of Texas at Austin, B.A., 2005

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Texas

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "Open Government Update," Texas Bar CLE 36th Annual Course: Advanced Administrative Law, June 7, 2024.
- Speaker, "Open Government Update," Texas Bar CLE 35th Annual Course: Advanced Administrative Law, July 13-14, 2023.
- Speaker, "Open Government in a Shutdown World," 16th Annual Advanced Texas Administrative Law Seminar, September 9, 2021.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Podcast, "[12 Days of Regulatory Insights: Day 4 – Open Records Realities](#)," *Regulatory Oversight* Podcast, December 9, 2025.
- Author, "FHWA Guidance on Implementation of Infrastructure Act Funding Does Not Bode Well for New Capacity Projects," Locke Lord QuickStudy, December 30, 2021.
- Author, "Overview of Transportation Reinvestment Zones," Locke Lord, September 2021.
- Author, "Texas Transportation Legislation: Overview of the 87th Regular Legislative Session," Locke Lord, June 2021.
- Author, "Attorney General Opinion Provides Clarification on Public Comment Requirements at Meetings of Governmental Bodies," Locke Lord, April 24, 2020.