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Political Law



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## Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2002

B.A., Grinnell College, 1999

## Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

Maryland

Matthew Bobys advises Skadden's clients on political law issues relating to government affairs and government procurement at the federal, state and local levels.

Mr. Bobys advises business clients on campaign finance, gifts and entertainment, lobbying, government ethics and conflict of interest laws at the federal, state and local levels. He also advises clients on "pay-to-play" laws that impose special restrictions on the political activity of companies having or seeking government contracts, as well as their covered employees, directors, PACs and affiliates. Mr. Bobys works with clients across numerous industries to ensure compliance with state and local pay-to-play laws, as well as federal pay-to-play laws MSRB Rules G-37/G-38, SEC Rule 206(4)-5, CFTC Rule 23.451, FINRA Rule 2030 and SEC Rule 15Fh-6.

Mr. Bobys has implemented comprehensive compliance systems covering all government affairs activities, and works with clients on an ongoing basis to develop procedures in reaction to new laws. In addition, he aids in the representation of alleged violators during the enforcement stage.

He has had extensive contact with various state and local ethics and elections commissions around the country. Mr. Bobys also works with federal entities such as the Federal Election Commission, the House and Senate Ethics Committees and the Office of Government Ethics.

Mr. Bobys served on the Steering Committee of the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws (COGEL), an international organization of government agencies that implement and enforce campaign finance, ethics and lobby laws throughout the United States and Canada, and has spoken on corporate compliance at COGEL's annual conferences.

Mr. Bobys repeatedly has been selected for inclusion in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*.

## Selected Publications

"Reminder: New Jersey Pay-to-Play Form BE Due March 30, 2022," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, March 4, 2022

"Political Contribution Disclosure Rules in Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia and Rhode Island," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, February 8, 2022

"Illinois Secretary of State Issues Guidance on State Lobby Law Changes, Cook County Passes Ethics Reform Package," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, December 29, 2021

"Alert for Investment Advisers: SEC Investigating Gifts Between Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System and Investment Managers," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, November 16, 2021

"Maine Will Prohibit Certain Corporate Contributions, Limit Individual and Corporate PAC Contributions to Certain State PACs," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, November 9, 2021

"Illinois Governor Certifies Ethics Reform Package Into Law," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, November 3, 2021

"For Security-Based Swap Dealers: Compliance Date for SEC Pay-to-Play Rule 15Fh-6," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, October 20, 2021

"California Imposes New Burdensome Reporting Requirement for LLCs Engaged in Political Activity," *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP*, October 19, 2021