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Education

J.D., Boston University School of Law, 1993 (*cum laude*; Articles Editor, *Boston University Law Review*)

B.A., University of Pennsylvania, 1990 (*cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

New York

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Experience

Law Clerk, Donald W. VanArtsdalen, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (1993-94)

Mike McTigue is the co-head of Skadden's Consumer Class Action Litigation and Mass Arbitration Group. He represents leading companies in class actions and civil litigation in jurisdictions across the country and has an extensive track record of success handling mass arbitrations. *Chambers USA* notes that clients describe Mr. McTigue as "whip-smart" and someone who "knows the subject matter backwards and forwards," while praising him as "creative, tenacious and good at seeing around corners" and noting that he "really thinks things through in a strategic fashion and provides excellent client service."

Mr. McTigue is widely regarded for his work defending clients in class actions and representing companies in high-stakes litigation and mass arbitration matters. He has been the architect of novel strategies and solutions for numerous industry-leading businesses across a range of industries, including retail, financial services, telecommunications, media and entertainment, sports, gaming, hospitality, technology, food and beverage, fintech, automotive, and pharmaceuticals/life sciences.

Mr. McTigue has an extensive track record of obtaining early dismissals and plaintiffs' voluntarily dismissal of claims, defending cases on the merits, defeating class certification, negotiating favorable individual settlements and curtailing the efforts of professional litigants. He routinely defends clients in matters that involve federal and state statutes, including the Video Privacy Protection Act (VPPA), the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA), the California Invasion of Privacy Act (CIPA), the Federal Wiretap Act, the Pennsylvania Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance Control Act (WESCA), the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), the Washington Commercial Electronic Mail Act (CEMA), the California Honest Pricing Law and the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), among many others.

In recognition of his work, he has been repeatedly recognized by the BTI Consulting Group, *Benchmark Litigation* and *The Legal Intelligencer* for client service and contributions to the legal profession. He has also been recognized in *Chambers USA*'s New York Litigation: General Commercial category and named one of *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Global Litigators and 500 Leading Litigators in America, as well as a *Thomson Reuters* Stand-out Lawyer. In addition, TCPAWorld has honored Mr. McTigue as one of its Best TCPA Attorneys in the Nation.

In late 2025, Mr. McTigue co-authored a comprehensive report on "Private Power, Public Harm: The Coercive Dynamics of Mass Arbitration" on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform. For several years, he co-authored the USA chapter of the *International Comparative Legal Guide to Consumer Protection Laws and Regulations*. Additionally, he has been a guest lecturer on privacy and class action litigation at Villanova University School of Law and the University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School.

Prior to joining Skadden, Mr. McTigue held numerous leadership roles at his previous firms, including serving as litigation practice head.

Selected Speaking Engagements

"Ethical Issues in Class Action/Mass Tort Litigation and Mass Arbitration," Class Action Litigation Forum - Defense Bar, October 2026

"Beyond the Fine Print: Strategic Consumer Terms and Privacy Policy Disclosures to Mitigate Class Action and Mass Arbitration Risk," Retail Law Conference, October 2026

"Tariff Refund Class Actions and Mass Arbitrations: Defensive Strategies and Related Risk Mitigation," Skadden webinar, August 2026