

Policy and Organization Group (AJ) Legal Resources Section (AJL)

General Law Committee (AJL10)

Monday, Jan 06, 2025 8:00AM - 9:45AM, Catholic University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee is concerned with legal issues arising from operating the Nation's surface transportation system, including but not limited to issues regarding commercial and private motor vehicles, the transportation of hazardous materials, multimodal transport of goods, interstate and international commerce, and highway safety and traffic control. The committee provides a forum for the discussion and encouragement of research on the balancing of economic efficiency, safety, and other concerns regarding these matters. The committee will also focus on legal issues related to private investment in public transportation systems, including public finance, public/private partnerships, privately financed toll facilities and the like.

Chair: Jeff Graham Jeff.Graham@TxDOT.gov

Transit and Intermodal Transportation Law Committee (AJL20)

Monday, Jan 06, 2025 1:30PM - 3:15PM, Catholic University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee is concerned with the legal processes and problems involved in planning, funding, constructing, and operating transportation systems using fixed guideways, streets and highways, and/or water transport. On its own initiative or in conjunction with others, the committee's activities address the identification and correlation of research on the legal issues involved in the development and operation of transit and intermodal transportation systems, and include preparation and presentation of exploratory and interpretive studies relating to these issues, and publication of the results of such research. A major interest of the committee is in fostering research on multimodal transportation systems and the legal issues pertaining to such systems.

Chair: Katie Kraft kkraft@thompsoncoburn.com

Contract Law Committee (AJL30)

Monday, Jan 06, 2025 1:30PM - 3:15PM, Georgetown University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee is interested in all matters pertaining to the formation, construction, interpretation, and administration of legal contracts affecting transportation systems operations, with special emphasis on the problems arising out of the process of contracting for the construction, improvement, maintenance, and repair of highways and highway-related projects, ranging from the pre-qualification and bidding stage through the adjustment and litigation of highway contract claims.

Chair: April Greenhouse Weaver april.greenhouse@ridemetro.org

Emerging Technology Law Committee (AJL40)

Tuesday, Jan 07, 2025 1:30PM - 3:15PM, Georgetown University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee investigates and provides a forum for the discussion of legal and public policy issues arising from the identification, development, and application of emerging technology to transportation systems, including legal issues associated with the creation of appropriate public institutions, legal authority, procurement, contracting for innovation, data rights, public access to information, liability and risk allocation, public/private partnering, and related concerns.

Chair: Ellen Partridge ellen@equiticity.org

Environmental Issues in Transportation Law Committee (AJL50)

Monday, Jan 06, 2025 3:45PM - 5:30PM, Georgetown University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee is interested in the issues raised by the effect of the construction and operation of transportation systems on various aspects of the natural and man-made environment and the handling of these issues through legal processes, including legislation, court decisions, and administrative procedures. Application of research in the various sciences and engineering technology to the processes of the legal system are emphasized. Trends in environmental problems connected with the planning, design, construction, and operation of transportation systems are monitored, reviewed, and analyzed.

Co-Chair: Edward Boling tedboling@perkinscoie.com
Co-Chair: Julie Wilson-McNerney jwilson-mcnerney@schwabe.com

Eminent Domain and Land Use Committee (AJL60)

Tuesday, Jan 07, 2025 1:30PM - 3:15PM, Catholic University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: The application of eminent domain and police power controls to land for highway purposes, including specific problems involving the legal basis and processes of land acquisition for highway purposes and control of roadside land use, and the techniques of using the results of legal research in condemnation, purchase, and regulation of land for highway purposes.

Chair: Christopher Kramer ckramer@nossaman.com

Tort Liability and Risk Management Committee (AJL70)

Tuesday, Jan 07, 2025 8:00AM - 9:45AM, Catholic University (M1) / Marriott Marquis

Scope: This committee will fill the need of the states for research, education, and training in the areas of tort liability and the administration of risk management. Its membership will be composed of attorneys, engineers, and administrators concerned with liability and risk management. Its members will provide useful insight and act as liaison, when requested, to other safety-conscious committees within TRB.

Chair: Terri Parker terri.parker@modot.mo.gov