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**ATLP 96TH ANNUAL MEETING**

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**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

**JUNE 22-24, 2025**









## Association of Transportation Law Professionals 96th Annual Meeting – Chicago, IL June 22 - 24, 2025

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Union League Club of Chicago - Crystal Room, 5th Floor  
65 West Jackson Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60604

Agenda items and scheduling are subject to change

#### Sunday, June 22, 2025

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Optional Activity
12:00 PM - 12:10 PM	Opening Remarks
	General Business Section I – <i>Crystal Room</i>
12:10 PM - 1:30 PM	Antitrust at the Crossroads of Trump and Technology&
  	<p>The Panel will explore the antitrust landscape affecting participants in transportation markets, with a focus on developments relating to litigation and government investigations of information sharing, especially that enabled by AI and big data</p> <p><b>David L. Meyer</b>, Principal at the Law Office of David L. Meyer and former Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division</p> <p><b>Patricia (Trisha) Corcoran</b>, Acting Chief, Transportation, Energy &amp; Agriculture Section, U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division</p> <p><b>Lisa Phelan</b>, Partner and Co-Chair of Antitrust Practice Group, Morrison &amp; Foerster, LLP; former Chief of National Criminal Enforcement and Washington Criminal I Sections, U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division</p>
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Modal Update - Maritime
	<p><b>Allison N. Skopec</b>, Associate, Holland &amp; Knight LLP (New York, NY)</p>

## Modal Update - Maritime Continued

The legal framework for autonomous vehicles, encompassing vessels, planes, and cars, is intricate and rapidly evolving across international, federal, and state levels. In the maritime sector, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) is pivotal in setting global standards through the Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) Code, which addresses safety, training, and liability issues. This Code is anticipated to become non-mandatory in 2025 and mandatory by 2032, following amendments to existing IMO conventions. Autonomous aviation is emerging as a significant area of legal development, with regulatory frameworks still adapting to the growing use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and highly automated aircraft. In the realm of vehicles, the absence of a unified international legal framework for autonomous vehicles results in a fragmented regulatory environment, with various countries and regions adopting diverse approaches.

Ms. Skopec will provide insights into the current state of autonomous vehicles, discuss prevailing trends, and offer predictions for the future.

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

### Legal Regimes Governing Catastrophic Events



International comparative perspective on legal regimes allocation of risk and damages for catastrophic events.

**Fred Einbinder**, Prof. at American University (Paris) and former General Counsel, Alstom.

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM

### Break

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### Humphrey's Executor



A review of what the potential overturn or narrowing of the Humphrey's Executor doctrine would mean for independent agencies.

**Allison Davis**, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP



**Ted Hunt**, Partner, Dentons

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

### Modal Update - Rail

Steptoe: To be Announced

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

**ATLP Special Cocktail Event**  
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6:45 PM

**Dinner in Groups- Nearby Restaurant**

**Monday, June 23, 2025**

**Breakfast**

8:20 AM - 8:30 AM

**General Business Section II – Crystal Room**

8:30 AM - 9:45 AM

**Maritime Special**  
**Emerging Issues in Regulatory Shipping**

**International Maritime Organization Polar**  
**Code Update**



Katie Matison, Shareholder, Lane Powell  
(Seattle, WA)



**Arbitration of Jones Act Seaman's Personal Injury Claims**

Carey M.E. Gephart, Director, LeGros Buchanan & Paul



**Tariffs: The Clash of 2025**

**Anusha E. Pillay, Partner**  
Collier Walsch Nakazawa LLP



### Special Topics in E Apostille

**Christopher Jackson**, Partner, Holland & Hart



Secretary General of the Hague Conference  
**Dr. Christophe Bernasconi**

9:45 AM - 10:45 AM

### The Future of STB Adjudications

The Surface Transportation Board is responsible for adjudicating a range of rail-related disputes, such as disputes about rail rates or service, terms and conditions for passenger service, and access to rail facilities. This panel will explore policies impacting STB adjudications going forward, and whether railroads and rail shippers can find common ground on some ways to improve STB adjudications.



**Jason Tutrone**, Partner, Thompson Hine LLP (Washington DC)



**Matt Warren**, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP (Washington DC)

10:45 AM - 11:00 AM

**BREAK**

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

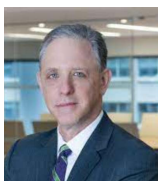
### Modal Update - Passenger Rail



**Ayelet Hirschhorn**, Partner, Kaplan Kirsch Rockwell

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

### Modal Update - Aviation



**Roy Goldberg**, Member, Clark Hill

12:30 PM - 1:15 PM

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1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

### Whither NEPA after Seven County Infrastructure?

The Supreme Court's forthcoming decision in *Seven County Infrastructure Coalition v. Eagle County, Colorado* may redefine the landscape for review of agency actions under the National Environmental Policy Act. This panel will discuss the implications of *Seven County* as well as policies impacting the environmental review of future transportation infrastructure projects.



**Jay Johnson**, Partner, Venable, (Washington, D.C.)

**Peter Whitfield**, Partner, Sidley, (Washington, D.C.)

2:15 PM - 2:30 PM

**BREAK**

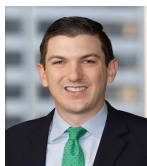
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### Spoiling for a Fight: Evidence Preservation Obligations and Remedies

The panel will address the issue of spoliation of evidence in aviation cases and provide an overview on how states handle spoliation claims. Spoliation of evidence can arise in cases affecting any mode of transportation so the panel will address steps taken to avoid claims, as well as how plaintiffs' counsel pursue claims.



**John Maggio**, Partner, Condon/Forsyth, (Miami & NY)



**Andrew Johnson**, Partner, Condon/Forsyth (Los Angeles)

**Daniel Nolan**, Associate, Nolan Law Group (Chicago, Illinois)



3:30 PM

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4:00 PM

### Modal Update - Trucking



**Kristine O. Little**, Associate, Holland & Knight (Washington DC)

**Jameson Rice**, Partner, Holland & Knight (Washington DC)

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

### Perspectives from the Surface Transportation Board



The Surface Transportation Board (STB) is an independent federal agency that is charged with the economic regulation of various modes of surface transportation, primarily freight rail. The Board's make up and focus has adjusted over the last year under the new administration. Joining ATLP to discuss her work regulating the rail industry is Board member **Karen Hedlund**.

*Mod.:* **Bradon J. Smith**, Fletcher & Sippel LLC (Chicago, Illinois)

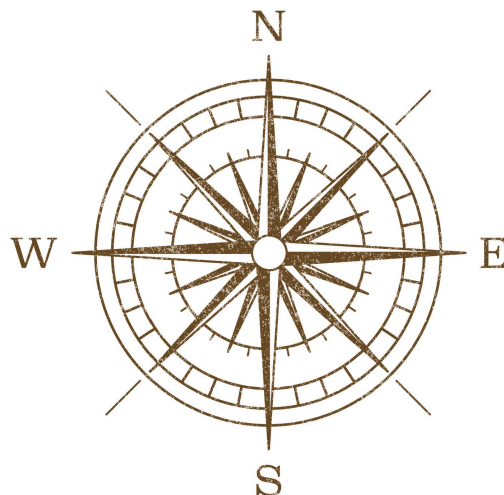
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### ATLP Presidential Reception

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7:00 PM

Dine-A-Rounds- Nearby Restaurants



Tuesday, June 24, 2025

**Breakfast**

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

**Modal Update - Labor**



**Sean Jackson**, Shareholder, Ballard Spahr, LLP (Seattle, WA)

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

**International Transport/Tariff**



Get up to date (minute) information on the global tariff picture, the considerations and impacts of each maneuver, and the potential effects internally and externally on North American trade.

**Arturo Rivera**, Partner, Sesma, Sesma, McNeese (Mexico City)

10:00AM - 10:45 AM

**Modal Update - Pipeline/Hazmat**



**Robin Rotman**, Counsel, Van Ness Feldman, LLP (Washington DC)



**Jason Tutrone** Partner, Thompson Hine LLP (Washington, DC)

10:45 AM - 11:00 AM

**BREAK**

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Ethics/CLE**

To be Announced





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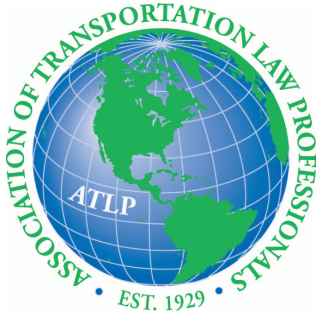
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**Bradon J. Smith**, Fletcher & Sippel LLC  
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**Roy Goldberg**, Program Co-Chair  
Partner, Clark Hill



**Matt Warren**, Program Co-Chair  
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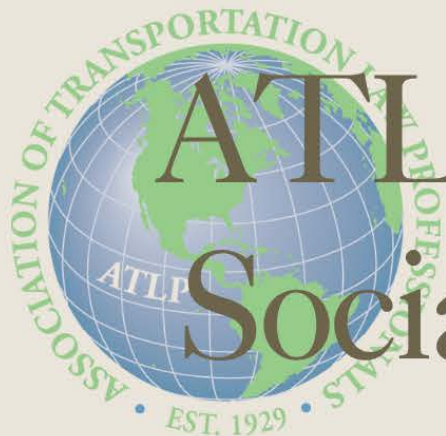


## Congratulations to Incoming 2025-2026 ATLP President

**Kristine O. Little**  
Associate, Holland & Knight (Washington DC)







# ATLP Optional Social Activities

## SATURDAY EVENING



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## Chicago Mahogany Bus Tour

Join your ATLP companions for a historic adventure as you tour Chicago's Pullman and Roseland neighborhoods—once referred to as “the world's most perfect towns.” This tour goes beyond the striking architecture and unique landmarks; you will also discover how these areas have played a significant role in Chicago's rich history.

## SUNDAY BREAKFAST



## Breakfast at Yolk

Before the plenary session commences on Sunday, take a moment to unwind and savor the delights of this Chicago gem, celebrated for its inventive breakfast creations since 2006.

## SUNDAY & MONDAY DINNER



## ATLP Dine-Arounds

Seize the opportunity to experience a unique dining experience with fellow attendees. Please keep an eye out for restaurant sign-up surveys.

## TUESDAY LUNCH



## Cindy's Rooftop Restaurant

Wrap up your learning experience with a final celebration in Chicago at this trendy rooftop bar and eatery located on the 13th floor of the Chicago Athletic Association Hotel, where you can enjoy a selection of seasonal dishes.

Please note - All optional activities will be paid for individually.