



## Mina S. Makarious

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### Practice Areas

Land Use & Zoning  
Regulatory Compliance  
Environmental  
Clean Energy  
Public Law  
State & Local Agencies  
Cities & Towns  
Public Law Litigation  
Airports  
Airport Environmental  
Issues  
Construction  
Unmanned Aircraft  
Systems/Drones

### Honors

Massachusetts Lawyers  
Weekly, Excellence in the  
Law - Up & Coming  
Lawyer, (2019)

Massachusetts Super  
Lawyers Rising Stars,  
(2015-Present)

Massachusetts Bar  
Association, **Outstanding  
Young Lawyer Award**,  
(2015)

National Law Journal's  
Boston Rising Stars, 40 Under  
40, (2014)

### Education

Harvard Law School, J.D.  
2009 *cum laude*

### Overview

Mina represents clients on municipal, airport, environmental, and construction matters. Mina's airport work includes representing airports around the country on the negotiation of complex lease transactions with airlines, including airline use and lease agreements and agreements with airline fuel consortia. He worked to revise the Massachusetts Department of Transportation's Aeronautics regulations, and works with the Department's Aeronautics Division on matters regarding the use and regulation of drones. Mina has also assisted a private manufacturer of drone technologies in obtaining a waiver from the FAA for the use of drones beyond the visual line of sight, one of the first such waivers ever granted by the FAA.

Mina's work for public sector clients also includes serving as Town Counsel to the towns of Concord and Lexington, Massachusetts, and regularly advising these and other towns on governance, procurement, land use, environmental and other matters. He also represented the Massachusetts Gaming Commission in drafting and promulgating new regulations and in its suitability investigations of gaming applicants. In addition, Mina serves as counsel to several clients on matters involving CERCLA and the Massachusetts Hazardous Material Release Prevention Act (Chapter 21E). Mina advises clients on environmental due diligence and federal and state regulatory compliance, litigation, and insurance coverage, and works with A&K's real estate practice in crafting solutions to environmental issues for real estate transactions.

### Results

- Represents several major hub airports in negotiating airline use agreements and fuel facility leases including Chicago, Charlotte, Salt Lake City and San Diego.
- Represented a medium hub airport in negotiations regarding development of one of the nation's large
- Assisted the Massachusetts Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division in updating its regulations, and is working with the Division to comprehensively address the use and regulation of drones.
- His work for airport clients has also included providing counsel on complex federal regulatory compliance, security, and constitutional law issues and assisting in drafting and submitting an *amicus* brief on behalf of the Airports Council International on airport security.
- Resolving millions of dollars worth of environmental liability claims associated with historic contamination at a Superfund site.
- Working with members of our real estate department, obtained several dozen temporary and permanent easement rights for a road improvement project for Lexington and a multi-use rail trail bike path project for Concord, including drafting and negotiating easement agreements and eminent domain takings documents, and working to meet tight grant funding deadlines.

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Editor, *Harvard Environmental  
Law Review*

Harvard College, B.A. 2006  
*magna cum laude*

- Represented a start-up non-profit in negotiation of lease and construction documents for a youth homeless shelter.
- Assisted the Massachusetts Gaming Commission on governance and start-up issues and in drafting regulations regarding public records management and permitting, and served as Special Assistant Attorney General representing the Commission in high-profile litigation regarding licensing issues.
- Mina has represented public and private clients in zoning and urban redevelopment litigation under Chapter 121A, successfully defending a project to support homeless healthcare and housing.

## Affiliations

United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, *Rules Advisory Committee*

Boston Bar Association **Environmental** Law Section, *Chair*

**Phillips Brooks House Association**, *Board of Trustees*