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## **OVERVIEW**

Daniel Ritter is a partner in the Public Policy and Law practice group. Mr. Ritter spearheads the public policy innovation and sustainability, and the philanthropic sub-practice groups.

Mr. Ritter's clients include the major Washington, D.C. trade associations for nanotechnology, clean technology and renewable energy, neurotechnology, the U.S. commercial space industry, and clean water and sanitation technologies, in addition to a wide variety of U.S. and international companies in these fields. His philanthropic/nonprofit clients include a variety of non-governmental organizations focused on sustainable development in the developing world and in the United States.

Mr. Ritter works to improve public policy decision-making by bringing to bear the innovation and entrepreneurial expertise of the emerging technology sector and the experience of the philanthropic community in addressing fundamental social needs in sustainable development

He coordinates policy advocacy campaigns, advocates policy positions with federal legislators and administrative agencies, prepares legal and strategic policy analysis, and develops legislation and testimony for Congressional hearings. Mr. Ritter also has experience with the tax rules governing policy activities by the non-profit sector.

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Mr. Ritter served as Chief Counsel to a Subcommittee of the current U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. Immediately before joining K&L Gates in 1998, Mr. Ritter founded and served as Executive Director of the Center for Arts and Culture, a grant-making institution concerned with the relationship of the non-profit and for-profit cultural sectors to American public policy.

## **ADMISSIONS**

- · District of Columbia
- New York

## **EDUCATION**

J.D., Yale Law School, 1991

B.A., Amherst College, 1988