

Eileen Brown named next managing partner of Thompson Coburn's D.C. office

Eileen Brown has been named the managing partner of Thompson Coburn's Washington, D.C., office effective Jan. 1, 2020. Brown serves as a co-chair of Thompson Coburn's national Transportation and Project Finance group and is a member of its Management Committee.

Brown is the second female managing partner of the D.C. office; she succeeds partner Margie Krumholz, who has led the office since 2008. Nearly 50 percent of the lawyers in Thompson Coburn's D.C. office are women.

Brown represents government entities, financial institutions, and publicly traded companies in international, asset-based and project finance transactions, government guaranteed finance, and equipment leasing. She also represents local and regional transportation agencies, companies buying, selling and operating aircraft, and lenders and lessors to marine operating companies.

She has served as outside counsel to the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank) for 14 years, and has helped facilitate financings for transportation, energy, agricultural, mining and development projects around the world.

Brown joined Thompson Coburn's Management Committee in 2019. She has been an active member of the Firm's Total Commitment Women's Initiative, led programming efforts in the D.C. region on behalf of the initiative, and served as a mentor to female attorneys.

Before joining Thompson Coburn, Brown was an attorney with the

U.S. Maritime Administration, focusing on the Title XI loan guarantee program. She also served as counsel for International Registries, Inc. (IRI) when the IRI served as the corporate and maritime administrator for the Republics of Liberia and the Marshall Islands.

She is a member of the Maritime Law Association and a longtime member of the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association (ELFA), which recently appointed her to the organization's national Legal Committee.

A resident of Arlington, Virginia, Brown earned her J.D. from Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law and obtained a B.A. from Villanova University.