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Mike Sloan is a seasoned legal executive with experience as General Counsel of an international venture capital firm, former BigLaw partner and practice group chair, and trusted adviser to CEOs and business leadership teams. He advises clients on complex commercial and corporate transactions, bringing an in-house mindset informed by deep experience supporting business growth, capital formation, and investor relationships.

Prior to joining OGC, Mike served as GC of an international investment firm with holdings in the cybersecurity, cloud computing, nuclear energy, and space industries. In that role, Mike oversaw the full legal lifecycle of the firm's operations and investments, including fund formation, onboarding investment capital, portfolio investment transactions, and compliance with U.S., U.K., Luxembourg, and Caymans financial regulatory requirements. He also handled employment matters and day-to-day legal issues for the firm and several of its portfolio companies.

Earlier in his career, Mike was a Partner and Chair of the Communications practice group at an AmLaw 100 firm, where he advised telecommunications, internet, and technology companies on rapidly evolving regulatory frameworks.

As a technology lawyer, Mike has represented the world's leading technology and communications companies, and many smaller firms, on hundreds of agreements involving cloud services, cybersecurity, software licensing, SaaS, technology integration, consulting, and manufacturing. Notable matters include managing the nation-wide roll-out of the leading cable operator's VoIP service offering,

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D.
Northwestern University, B.A.

SECTORS AND SERVICES

Technology Transactions & Digital Media
Corporate & Finance
Private Equity & Venture Capital

CREDENTIALS

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

supporting the expansion of that same provider's back-office operation into a wholesale service offering, advising on the building and management of data centers, and the development of consumer-facing products such as smartwatches, video games, and virtual reality headsets.

While serving as practice group chair, Mike led the strategic revitalization of his group by recruiting and mentoring new lawyers, strengthening collaboration, and improving productivity and morale—experience that continues to inform his leadership and advisory approach.

Mike's regulatory experience spans broadband, net neutrality and digital discrimination, telecommunications competition, universal service, wireless services, national security, foreign ownership, transfers-of-control, and online content regulation. Mike also represented clients in high-stakes, precedent-setting proceedings before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), trial and appellate courts, and state public utility commissions around the country, including appearances before every state commission.

Mike began his legal career as a law clerk to a federal judge in Puerto Rico and as a litigation associate at Sidley Austin.

Outside of his legal practice, Michael plays guitar, serves in leadership roles at his synagogue, tends an expansive garden, follows baseball closely, and enjoys traveling with his wife—often to visit their adult children.