American Bar Association’s
Forum on Air & Space Law
ABA 2018 Space Law Symposium

8:00-8:10 am  Welcome and Overview
Speakers:  Andrea Brantner, Chair, Forum on Air and Space Law
Amy Xenofos, Program Chair, ABA 2018 Space Law Symposium

8:10-8:30 am  Keynote Speaker
Thomas Cremins, Associate Administrator for Strategy and Plans, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC

8:30-9:45am  Non-Traditional On-orbit Space Activities and Authorizations
This panel addresses the activities being planned for open space and the surfaces and subsurfaces of celestial bodies. They will occur in places for which there is little or no existing authority to operate. Panelists will discuss what authority has to be established to carry out these plans. Issues and some specific activities will be examined from a national and an international law perspective.
Moderator:  Joanne Gabrynowicz, Emerita, University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS
Dr. Diane Howard, Assistant Professor of Commercial Space Operations, Embry-Riddle University, Daytona Beach, FL
Oonagh Sands, Fietta LLP, London, UK

9:45-10:15 am  BREAK

10:15-11:15 am  National Space Council and NSC Users Advisory Group (UAG)
Defunct since 1993, the National Space Council has been revived by the Trump administration. The NSC is, in turn, advised by key government and industry leaders who serve on the NSC Users Advisory Group. During this panel discussion, Prof. Mark J. Sundahl will moderate a conversation about the purpose, makeup, and latest activities of these advisory bodies to the President, and the potential guidance and leadership it may have on U.S. space law and policy. Attorneys with clients in the commercial and national security space sector will gain insights into how these bodies will shape national space strategies that may impact their clients.
Moderator:  Mark Sundahl, Professor of Law and Director of the Global Space Law Center, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH
Panelists:  Mike Beavin, Senior Policy Analyst, National Space Council, Washington, DC
Suzanne Gillen, Senior Director of Government Relations and Public Policy, Maxar Technologies, Washington, DC (invited)
Jason Y. Kim, Senior Policy Analyst, Office of Space Commerce, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC
Gabriel Swiney, Attorney Adviser, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC
Public Private Partnerships: Opening Doors to Cooperation and Development in Space

Public-Private Partnerships (“PPPs”) are transforming the way the U.S Government interacts with industry. This panel brings together Government officials and industry leaders who are on the cutting edge of PPP development to discuss the advantages, pitfalls, and impact of these innovative agreements. Practitioners will gain a better understanding of the various types of legal instruments available to engage in PPP and lessons learned from their use.

**Moderator:** Michael Gold, Vice President of Washington DC Operations, Maxar Technologies, Washington, DC

**Panelists:**
- Sirisha Bandla, Business Development & Government Affairs Manager, Virgin Orbit, Washington, DC
- Bill Beckman, Director NASA Programs, Boeing, Washington, DC Operations, Washington, DC
- Jason Crusan, Director, Advanced Exploration Systems, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC
- Dr. Gordon Roesler, Program Manager, Tactical Technology Office, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Washington, DC
- John Roth, Vice President Space Systems Business Development, Sierra Nevada Corporation, Sparks, Nevada

Luncheon and Keynote Speaker:

George Nield, former Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration

**1:30-1:45 pm: BREAK**

Law, Finance, and Commercial Space: The Changing Landscape of the Commercial Space Industry

This multidisciplinary panel of experts discusses how New Space is changing the legal framework to encourage and sustain the growth of new industries, in the US and internationally. Practitioners will gain a better understanding of developments in capital finance and investment banking, M&A trends, and the insurance markets.

**Moderator:** Michael Mendelson, Wissing Miller, Washington, DC

**Panelists:**
- Ken Davidian, Program Manager, FAA’s Center of Excellence for Commercial Space Transportation, Washington, DC
- Hoyt Davidson, Near Earth LLC, Stamford, CT
- Alexis Sainz, Milbank, Washington, DC
- Robert D. Scheige, Assistant Vice President, Willis Inspace, New York, NY
- Tom Stroup, President, Satellite Industry Association, Washington, DC
3:00 – 3:15 pm  BREAK

3:15-4:15 pm  
**Exploration and the Moon: Law and Policy Impacts on Future Activities**
This panel examines past, present, and envisioned usages of the Moon, and cis-lunar space, by both government and industry participants. Of late, the Moon has been the focus political commentary and legal activity, both in the office of the president, and in Congress. In particular, the concepts associated with the continued exploration of the Moon by both governmental and private entities will be examined, along with the impact of Presidential Space Policy Directive-1 on NASA’s future activities on and near the Moon, including the possibility of utilizing cis-lunar space as a staging area, or gateway, for future deep space human exploration of the solar system. Domestic and international laws affecting the presence of research stations on the surface of the Moon may also be examined. Issues for Space Practitioners will center on the role of the government in supervising national and private activities on and near the Moon, the extent to which current law effectuates these activities, the scope and scale of potential regulatory mechanisms, and the impact international cooperation may have on the successful development of the Moon and beyond.

**Moderator:** Michael Dodge, Assistant Professor & Graduate Program Director, Department of Space Studies, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

**Panelists:**
- Andrea Harrington, Associate Director of Air and Space Law Program, University of Mississippi School of Law, Oxford, MS
- Chris Johnson, Advisor, Secure World Foundation, Washington, DC
- David Lopez, Attorney-Advisor, International Law Group, NASA Headquarters Office of General Counsel, Washington, DC
- Ben Roberts, VP of Government Affairs, Moon Express, Washington, DC

4:00 pm:  
**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Speaker:** Amy Xenofos, Chair, ABA 2018 Space Law Symposium

4:15  
**RECEPTION**  
Jenner & Block
CONFERENCE INFORMATION

1. **Location Information**: The conference will be held at Jenner & Block, 1099 New York, Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

2. **Program Registration**: To register for all programs and events described in this brochure, please visit our website at [www.americanbar.org/groups/air_space.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/air_space.html) or you may mail your completed form to the ABA Registration – AS1806, 321 N. Clark St. MS 19.1, Chicago, IL 60654; fax 312-988-5850. In order to be included in the list of program attendees, you must register before **May 30, 2018 (5:00 pm – CST)**.

3. **On-site registration** is available for those persons who miss the registration deadline. If you plan to register at the door, **please call Dawn Holiday at 312-988-5660** to confirm that space is still available. Failure to call in advance may preclude admission to the conference.

4. **Registration**: Includes admission to the one-day program, continental breakfast, coffee break, on-line course materials and the evening reception.

5. The ABA reserves the right to cancel any programs and assumes no responsibility for personal expenses (including lodging, transportation or meals).

6. **CLE Credit**: The ABA directly applies for and ordinarily receives CLE credit for ABA programs in AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MN, MS, MO, MT, NM, NV, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, PR, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, VI, WA, WI, and WV. These states sometimes do not approve a program for credit before the program occurs. This course is expected to qualify for **6.5 CLE credit hours in 60-minute-hour states**, and **5.5 credit hours in 50-minute-hour states**. This transitional program is approved for both newly admitted and experienced attorneys in NY. Attorneys may be eligible to receive CLE credit through reciprocity or attorney self-submission in other states. For more information about CLE accreditation in your state, [*click here to view additional MCLE information for your jurisdiction*](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/air_space.html).

7. **Course Materials**: Will be posted on-line prior to the conference.

8. **Tax Deduction for Education Purposes** in the United States, an income tax deduction may be allowed for education expenses undertaken to maintain or improve professional skills. This includes registration, travel, meals and lodging, subject to applicable limitations (see Treas. Reg.1.162-5: Coughlin v. Commissioner, 203 F.2d 307 (2d Cir.1953)).

9. **Americans with Disabilities Act**: If special arrangements are required for disabled individuals to attend this program, contact David Israel in writing by **May 30, 2018**, at the American Bar Association, 321 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL, 60654 or email dawn.holiday@americanbar.org

10. **Dress**: Business Attire.

11. **For the latest program information**: Please visit the Forum on Air and Space Law Website: [http://www.americanbar.org/groups/air_space.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/air_space.html)

12. **Scholarship**: To receive additional information, contact Dawn R. Holiday via email at dawn.holiday@americanbar.org

13. **Questions**: If you have questions or require additional conference information, contact: Dawn Holiday at 312-988-5660 or dawn.holiday@americanbar.org
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June 7, 2018

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Are you a first-time attendee? Yes,  No

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Forum on Air & Space Law Annual Meeting
September 27-28, 2018
Intercontinental Hotel, Chicago, IL

Aviation & Space Finance Meeting
December 6, 2018
New York, NY

Air & Space Law Update Conference
February 22, 2019
Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City

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