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Overview

Public and private clients, including airports, towns, and commercial property owners turn to Mina for his expertise in local government, administrative law, environmental clean-up, and policy.

His areas of emphasis include:

- **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.
- **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.
- **Serving as counsel to several clients on hazardous waste matters**, including 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.
- **Drafting legislation based on policy goals and regulatory needs.** He worked with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to draft gaming and sports wagering regulations and revised the Massachusetts Department of Transportation's Aeronautics regulations. He also works with the Department's Aeronautics Division on matters regarding the use and regulation of drones. Mina also has drafted legislation for the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations (MACDC) and the Environmental League of Massachusetts (ELM) on land use matters and diversity and inclusion in offshore wind permitting.

Mina works hard to listen to clients. His solutions not only address legal issues for clients but also provide the legal framework to address business and strategic goals. Mina recently advised a commercial service airport in Massachusetts on the handling of PFAS contamination at the airport. His advice addressed the legal and community needs of the client, including neighborhood relations, creative problem-solving for municipal and airport finance and procurement challenges, and insurance coverage to pay for the legal work.

In addition to representing his clients, Mina has been selected by his peers to serve in the Airports Council International-North America's (ACI-NA) Legal Affairs Steering Group and is a former co-chair of the Boston Bar Association's (BBA) Environmental and Energy Section.

PRACTICE AREAS

Airports
Environmental
Public Law
Construction

CREDENTIALS

Education

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

Editor, *Harvard Environmental Law Review*

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

Admissions

Massachusetts

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. District Court,
District of Massachusetts

Recognitions

The Best Lawyers in America®,
Environmental Law, 2021-2023

Massachusetts Super Lawyers
Rising Stars, 2015-2021

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

Massachusetts Bar
Association, [Outstanding Young
Lawyer Award](#), 2015

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