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Eric R. Rock concentrates his practice on customs and international trade matters. He has over 25 years of experience representing clients in all facets of import and export compliance, including the design of compliance programs, and reducing costs through favorable rulings concerning tariff classification, product valuation, free trade agreements, and special trade programs. He has also defended against trade violations arising from government investigations, audits, internal reviews, or penalty cases.

Eric has also advised clients regarding US export laws and regulations, including restrictions on the sale or disclosure of US-origin technology to foreign nationals, export licensing requirements, encryption controls and compliance with US trade embargoes.

Eric has developed unique experience in creating innovative compliance solutions and proactive countermeasures to address the challenges facing his clients. His firm is dedicated to delivering cost effective trade compliance services and legal defense.

Eric frequently handles inquiries related to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and antidumping / countervailing duties. He also assists clients in successfully enrolling in beneficial trade programs such as the Importer Self-Assessment (ISA) program and the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT).

His litigation experience includes defending antidumping scope exclusions and advocating preferential tariff classifications. He has also worked with congressional and government offices to successfully introduce special trade legislation.

Prior to his legal career, Eric was a licensed customs broker, working with corporate clients to implement trade compliance initiatives and tailor procedures to ensure the effective importation and exportation of merchandise. He is also a former Partner and Head of the Customs and International Trade Practice at Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP.

Education

- JD, Loyola University of Chicago School of Law
- BA, Loyola University Chicago, *magna cum laude*

Admissions

- Illinois

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of International Trade
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit