



Trey Range

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Trey Range concentrates his practice in aviation law. He has assisted clients in a wide range of aviation deals in North America, Asia and Europe, and has experience coordinating with local counsel in a variety of jurisdictions to accomplish the clients' goals.

Mr. Range has significant experience representing operators, buyers, sellers, lessors and lessees in aircraft leases and purchases, as well as lenders in aviation finance transactions. He also has significant experience partnering with all types of aviation businesses including maintenance and repair facilities, aircraft leasing and financing companies, aircraft management companies, and aircraft parts manufacturers and sellers.

As a complement to his aviation and general transactional practice, Mr. Range also helps clients with commercial lending and contract disputes.

Representative Matters

- Assisted clients and coordinated with local counsel regarding aviation, secured asset and tax issues for operating and financing leases, purchase and sale agreements for fixed wing aircraft and helicopters in various international locations, including England, Spain, France, Italy, Indonesia, Brazil, Malaysia, Nigeria, India, East Timor, Taiwan, Chile, Peru and the Philippines.
- Assisted numerous domestic entities in aircraft purchases, sales and leases, and regulatory compliance.
- Prepared numerous affirmative action plans for government contractors across the country.
- Represented financial institutions across the country in the origination and securitization of commercial loans involving a variety of pledged collateral types including airplanes, helicopters, and spare engines.
- Successfully defended clients in OFCCP audits related to affirmative action compliance.
- Drafted a complex master lease agreement and subordinate lease schedules to facilitate the leasing of several aircraft worth \$28 million to an operator in Asia.
- Handled several multi-million dollar M&A transactions on behalf of target entities.
- Advised clients with respect to asset and stock acquisitions of several companies, including related due diligence and the preparation of asset and stock purchase agreements.
- Advised a large furniture manufacturer with regard to agreements with suppliers, customers and other third-parties, and drafted supply agreements, sales representative agreements and exclusivity contracts.
- Advised aircraft components manufacturer on a license agreement with a major OEM.
- Represented a large helicopter operator in a transaction to provide dedicated transportation services to a major oil company in Australia.

Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* (2021 – 2025)
- Committee Member – National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) Regulatory Issues Advisory Group

Publications

- "IRS Announces Increased Audits on Corporate Jet Usage" (February 2024)

- "FAA Proposes Rules for Powered-Lift Aircraft Operations and Pilot Certification" (July 2023)
- "Many Corporate Aircraft Operators are Operating Illegally Without Realizing it – The Flight Department Company Trap" (April 2023)
- "100 Percent Bonus Depreciation Phase-Out for Certain Corporate Aircraft Begins January 1, 2023" (October 2022)
- "Pilot Records Database Compliance Deadline for Certain Part 91 Operators is June 10. Is Your Company Ready?" (June 2022)
- Author – "OFCCP Finally Releases Timeline for Affirmative Action Program (AAP) Verification Portal" (December 2021)
- Co-author – "OFCCP Scheduling List Updated March 2021 – Is Your Company Scheduled for Audit?" (April 2021)
- Co-author – "OFCCP Indicates Intent to Rescind Trump-Era Rule Expanding Exemptions for Religious Contractors" (February 2021)
- Co-author – "The Third Amendment's Consent Clause: A Conceptual Framework for Analysis and Application," *Tennessee Law Review*, Spring Edition, Volume 82, Number 3, pages 647-662 (2015)
- Co-author – "Could Windsor Revive Federalism? The States' Right to Protect Citizens Following DOMA's Demise," *Tennessee Law Review*, Winter Edition, Volume 81, Number 2, pages 309-340 (2014)



Speaking Engagements

- "A 40K Foot View of Aviation Law," Tennessee Bar Association CLE (January 2020)
- "Urgent Issues for Modern Employers," Labor and Employment law seminar (March 2019)
- Co-presenter – "Strategic Thinking in Every Situation," Issues for Modern Employers - Labor and Employment Seminar (March 2015)
- Panelist – "Exploring the Forgotten: A Modern Look at the Third Amendment," Tennessee Law Review Symposium (February 2015)



Education

- University of Tennessee College of Law, J.D., 2014
 - Student Materials Editor – *Tennessee Law Review*
 - Second Year Editor – *Tennessee Law Review*
 - Vice President – Student Bar Association
 - At-Large Representative – Student Bar Association
 - Member – Novak Loan Committee
 - Member – Law Men
- University of Tennessee, B.S., 2011, magna cum laude



Admissions

- Tennessee, 2014
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, 2015