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Navy-Marine Corps Court
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U.S. Court of Military
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U.S. District Courts
N. Dist. of Illinois
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Brian Maye is a partner with Adler Murphy & McQuillen LLP. He concentrates his practice in the representation of aviation and aerospace manufacturers in product liability actions arising out of accidents involving commercial and general aviation aircraft. Brian also represents airlines in litigation involving wrongful death, personal injury, contractual claims and environmental claims. Additionally, Brian defends pilots, airlines, and cargo transport companies in FAA Enforcement Actions. He practices in both state and federal court, including consolidated and multi-district proceedings.

Representative matters include defense of a component manufacturer in the crash of a Piper PA-32R-301 near Jacksonville, Maryland; defense of an avionics manufacturer in the crash of a Sikorsky S-76A twin-engine turbine powered helicopter in the Gulf of Mexico; defense of an airline following an emergency landing at Kansas City International Airport; representation of an cargo airline in a lawsuit related to mercury contamination of an aircraft; and defense of an avionics manufacturer in a mid-air collision between a commercial aircraft and a cargo aircraft in Europe.

Prior to his current practice, Brian served as a criminal trial lawyer for the U.S. Navy JAG. As a prosecutor, Brian successfully prosecuted over 300 cases, including dozens of jury trials to verdict as lead counsel. Brian also acted as general counsel to 50 Military Commanders in 10 states, advising on ethical, criminal, regulatory, contractual and labor issues.

During his tenure with the Navy, Brian spearheaded the creation of the Central Criminal Court of Iraq (CCCI) in Baghdad, Iraq. As a Special Prosecutor for the U.S. Central Command, Brian successfully prosecuted over 100 detainees/insurgents for attacks against Coalition Forces and advised field commanders throughout Iraq on evidence collection. Brian also collaborated with Department of Justice attorneys and Iraqi judges in developing an Iraqi Federal Court with national jurisdiction over government corruption, terrorism, white collar crime and crimes against the Iraqi government.

From 1997-1999, Brian served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Nikolaev, Ukraine.

Brian is a member of the Trial Bar of the U.S. District Court, N. D. of IL; the Chicago Bar Association; and the District of Columbia Bar Association.