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William McGinley is Of Counsel in the Washington, D.C. office of Patton Boggs, LLP where he advises a wide range of clients on political law issues. Specifically, Mr. McGinley advises federal and state candidates, political party committees, political action committees, donors, political vendors, and grassroots lobbying and issue advocacy organizations regarding campaign finance, tax, corporate, ethics, and broadcast compliance issues. He also advises corporations and trade associations regarding the formation and administration of political action committees, political activities and communications, and congressional and executive branch ethics matters.

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