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DRONE/UAS PRACTICE GROUP

**Antonelli Law
launched one of
the first Drone/UAS
Practice Groups
in the country
in 2014.**

The practice has now grown to more than 50 clients nationwide including billion dollar engineering and construction concerns, GIS professionals, cinematographers, real estate companies, a news organization, and a forensic specialist.

We Are Lawyers Who Fly[®]

Founder Jeffrey Antonelli is a federal court litigator and IP lawyer, has flown RC aircraft for years and flies the DJI Inspire 1 as a hobbyist. Antonelli Law helps its clients through obtaining Section 333 approvals, amendments, N number registrations and special airspace permissions. In addition, Antonelli Law helps its clients expand their businesses through drafting and negotiating contracts, NDAs and other IP protection mechanisms, and providing risk analysis for innovative drone services.

The Drone/UAS Practice Group can remove barriers at the state and local levels, protect its clients' investments, and give them the tools to grow their business while identifying and minimizing risk.

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Clients by Industry

Utility and Infrastructure Inspections

- Aerial Inspection Resources, LLC
- Burns & McDonnell Engineering Solutions, Inc.
- John L. Lowery & Associates, Inc.
- Sky Eye Solutions, LLC
- Skyway Recon, Inc.
- Tower Inspections, Inc.

Search & Rescue

- Kovar & Associates, LLC

Event Photography

- Angle of Attack Photography, LLC
- Drone Experts, Inc.
- LA Drones LLC

Real Estate

- Above it All Aerial Solutions, LLC
- AeriFocus, LLC
- Angle of Attack Photography, LLC
- Digital Magic Productions, LLC
- Hover Effect, LLC.
- Home Debut Inc., d/b/a Tour Factory
- LA Drones LLC
- Trusted UAV, LLC
- Owlcam LLC

Mapping, Surveying, GIS and Land Inspections

- Frontier Geospatial, LLC
- Fuscoe Engineering, Inc.
- Kovar & Associates, LLC
- Nixon Engineering Solutions, LLC
- NWB Environmental Services, LLC
- PIKA International, Inc.
- Seiclone Surveys, LLC
- Skyway Recon, Inc.
- Tough Stump Technologies, LLC
- Volo Pervidi, LLC

Cinematography, Motion Picture and Television

- Drone Experts, Inc.
- Richter Brothers Studios, Inc., d/b/a Richter Studios
- iCam Copters, LLC
- Hover Effect LLC
- Helios Imaging, Inc.
- Indiana Aerial Solutions, LLC
- LA Drones LLC
- SkyCamUSA LLC
- SkyFly Cinema LLC

Construction

- Fuscoe Engineering, Inc.
- Helios Imaging, Inc.
- The Connell Co.

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Jeffrey Antonelli

Jeffrey Antonelli is a member of the federal trial bar of the Northern District of Illinois and is admitted to numerous federal courts around the country. He has been a civil litigator for nearly 15 years in a broad range of actions representing corporations and individuals as plaintiffs and defendants in state and federal court. A member of AUVSI, Jeffrey founded and leads the firm's Drone/UAS Practice Group.

Prior to forming Antonelli Law Ltd. in 2007, Jeffrey worked for several litigation boutiques in Chicago's Loop and a full service firm. His litigation experience includes hotly contested issues in intellectual property, business, insurance, and consumer fraud. He is an adviser to the Illinois Board of Higher Education Advisory Council for Private Business and Vocational Schools (PBVS), and was a member of the Illinois State Bar Association Education Law Section Council from 2012-2013. Jeffrey is especially proud of his work representing hundreds of students defrauded by improperly accredited educational institutions, including as certified class counsel.

Before attending law school, Jeffrey was interested first in business, and then in biomedical ethics. These interests led him to graduate from the nation's largest philosophy department at Loyola University in Chicago, where some of his favorite (and most challenging) subjects were cognitive science and philosophy of science. During college he held positions at the University of Chicago's Ben May Institute; as a medical assistant for a University of Chicago foot and ankle surgeon; and volunteered in the emergency room at the University of Chicago

Hospitals. These experiences led to studying health law at the DePaul College of Law where Jeffrey earned his law degree and a certificate in health law. At that time DePaul's Institute for Health Law was consistently ranked in the top 10 health law specialty programs nationwide.

During law school Jeffrey immersed himself in studying the practical and public policy aspects of health care through internships at the American Medical Association in Chicago, and on Capitol Hill at the Governmental Relations Office of the Association of American Medical Colleges in Washington, DC.

Jeffrey has concentrated in civil litigation throughout his legal career, and is a member of the federal trial bar of the Northern District of Illinois, the Central District of Illinois federal court, and all federal courts of Colorado, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana. In addition he is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, the DuPage County Bar Association, and the Illinois State Bar Association.

Jeffrey prides himself on his strong personal ideals, passionate, ethical advocacy, and working hard to bring the best possible results for his clients. He also maintains a special interest in cases involving fraud. Whether due to good parenting, his family's law enforcement employment, undergraduate studies in philosophy including ethics, or a fortuitous outcome of good breeding, one essence of Jeffrey's character is a drive to root out the truth behind fraudulent practices.

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Mark Del Bianco

Attorney Mark Del Bianco is Special Counsel to our Drone/UAS Practice Group.

Mr. Del Bianco has more than three decades of experience representing clients in federal administrative rulemaking, enforcement proceedings, and court reviews at the DOJ, ITC, FCC, FDA, CPSC, and NHTSA. He has litigation experience ranging from state trial courts to case briefs in the United States Supreme Court, and in recent years has litigated the constitutionality of state laws at the intersection of technology and privacy. He also provides transactional and regulatory assistance to a wide array of clients, including fiber networks, satellite service providers, business owners, application developers and cloud services providers.

Prior to starting his own practice in 2003, Del Bianco was an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice and at both large and small firms in Washington D.C., including more than a decade at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP.

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Kate Fletcher

Attorney Katie (“Kate”) D. Fletcher is Of Counsel to our Drone/UAS Practice Group.

Kate is a 737 pilot for one of the world’s largest airlines, in addition to her legal practice. Kate has over 10,000 hours of flight experience and is Type-Rated in the Saab 340, Citation CE-500, DC-9, Boeing 737, 757, and 767. Kate’s flying experience is varied and includes traffic watch in the San Francisco Bay Area, Air Ambulance, Flight Instructing and Commuter and Major Airline Domestic and International flying. Kate brings a wealth of knowledge in aviation to the Drone/UAV practice group.

Kate graduated from the University of Warwick with a B.Sc. (Hons) in Economics many years ago. After furlough from American Airlines due to the September 11th attacks Kate re-entered the scholastic realm and attended law school at Loyola University Chicago School of Law where she graduated cum laude with a J.D. and an L.L.M. in Taxation. Kate interned with the IRS in both Appeals – Large and Midsize Business and Chief Counsel’s Office – Individual and Small Business.

Kate is admitted to the Northern District of Illinois federal court, the US Tax Court, and the state bars of California, Illinois, and Virginia. Her professional activities include the Allied Pilots Association.

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Doug Marshall

Doug Marshall created TrueNorth Consulting LLC in 2007. He was recently appointed Adjunct Professor, De Paul College of Law, International Aviation Law Institute, Chicago, Illinois. He held a four-year appointment as Division Manager, UAS Regulations & Standards Development at the Physical Science Laboratory, New Mexico State University (2010-2014), and for the 12 years before that was a Professor of Aviation at the University of North Dakota, where he was instrumental in the establishment of the UAS Commercial Aviation degree program as well leading and managing a number of UAS research efforts.

Doug has been engaged full time in UAS-related activities for over 10 years. He served on RTCA SC-203, ASTM F-38 and SAE G-10 committees, the AUVSI Advocacy Committee, the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program UAS Expert Group, the Small UAS Aviation Rulemaking Committee, the Part 91 Working Group serving the current UAS Aviation Rulemaking Committee, AIAA's Legal Aspects of Aeronautics and Astronautics Technical Committee (past Chair), and the UAS Program Committee. Currently he chairs the ASTM F38.02.01 Task Group on Standards for Operations Over People, and serves as a United States delegate to ISO TC 20/SC 16, UAS Subcommittee. While employed at the University of North Dakota and New Mexico State University he was Principle Investigator on several research grants awarded by the Department of Defense, NASA, and the FAA.

Doug also served on the Steering Committee, Civil Applications of Unmanned Aerial Systems Conference, Boulder, CO. and many other programs dedicated to the development of UA systems and has delivered numerous presentations and served on panels on domestic and international aviation regulations, privacy and airspace issues at conferences around the world.

Doug is co-editor of two books related to aviation and aviation law, co-author and editor of "Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems" (Editions 1 & 2, to be released in the Fall of 2015) and is the author of dozens of published articles on aviation law, regulations and remotely piloted aircraft. He has been interviewed as a UAS and aviation law expert by the Wall Street Journal, The Huffington Post, Bloomberg News, Canadian Television, the Detroit Free Press, and has lectured at three law schools on UAS and aviation related topics. He is now working on a book on international airspace integration to be published by John Wiley & Sons, Ltd., tentatively titled "UAS Integration Into Civil Airspace: Policy, Regulations and Strategy."

Doug was recipient of the Federal Aviation Administration, Center of Excellence for General Aviation Research "2008 Outstanding Faculty of the Year" award "For Outstanding Achievement in Transportation Research and Education," January 10, 2009.

He was also recipient of the 2009 "Catherin Fargeon Award" presented by UVS International "On behalf of the international UAS community in recognition of his personal commitment & contribution to promoting the insertion of unmanned aircraft systems into non-segregated airspace," June 9, 2009, in Paris, France.

Doug was awarded his Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of California, Santa Barbara and his Juris Doctor from the University of California's Hastings College of the Law. He also holds a commercial pilot's certificate and has co-owned two GA aircraft.

In his pre-academia life he practiced in the fields of maritime and aviation related litigation and employment law and was president and general counsel of a commuter airline.

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