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Related Practice Areas

- Election Law
- Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA)
- Government Ethics Compliance
- Lobbying and Grassroots Advocacy
- Non-Profit and Tax-Exempt Organizations
- Political Law

Nicole Kelly

Associate

Nicole Kelly is an associate attorney with Holtzman Vogel, focusing her practice on advising clients on all aspects of election and political law compliance under federal, state, and local campaign finance, lobbying, government ethics, and tax-exempt organization laws.

Nicole has experience preparing and filing campaign finance and regulatory disclosures, including PAC and Super PAC committee registrations, expenditure statements, lobbying reports, political communication disclaimers, and other donor disclosures. She also advises PACs, party committees, and other entities on navigating compliance, enforcement, and advisory matters with the Federal Election Commission.

Prior to joining the firm, she was a political compliance attorney for the National Association of REALTORS®, where she successfully oversaw the legal compliance for multi-million-dollar independent expenditure and issue advocacy programs. For the 2022 election cycle, she also served as the Republican National Lawyer Association's Political Director in Nevada, leading the recruitment, deployment, and election law training for the volunteer attorney team.

As a law student, Nicole worked as a law clerk for the Republican National Committee, and as a policy associate and consultant for multiple federal agencies and government affairs firms. Before law school, she worked in fundraising, campaign consulting, and a variety of other political roles in her hometown of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Education

- The George Washington University Law School, J.D.
 - Academic Merit Scholarship
 - Shapiro Public Service Fellowship
 - Gold President's Volunteer Service Award
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., *cum laude*, Economics

Bar & Court Admissions

- Nevada State Bar
- District of Columbia Bar
- New York State Bar

Clerkship/Government Experience

- Republican National Lawyers Association, Political Director (Nevada)
- Republican National Committee, Law Clerk
- U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Legal Honors Intern
- U.S. Dept of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, Legal Intern

Representative Matters

- Represented the country's largest trade association in front of local, state, and federal campaign finance regulators
- Counseled hundreds of state and local independent expenditure campaigns on all aspects of political law compliance, including reporting, disclosures, and disclaimer requirements arising from various paid communications
- Advised corporate clients on compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act (FECA) and related federal campaign finance regulations
- Assisted organizational and contract lobbyists with disclosure and transparency requirements under the Lobbying Disclosure Act (LDA)

News & Insights

- Nicole Kelly Speaks on How States Can Secure Their Elections
- Nicole Kelly to Present Election Day Operations CLE for Nevada RNLA
- Nicole Kelly Quoted in New York POLITICO Playbook on FARA Investigation
- Could Joe Biden Be Replaced on Nevada's Ballot?
- National Party Convention: To Do or Not To Do? That Is the Question
- In Compliance: Holtzman Vogel's May 2024 Round-Up
- Democrats Wanted an Early Debate So They'd Have Plenty of Time to Dump Biden
- The State of AI Regulation in 2024
- Raffensperger-Backed Legislation Likely to Impact Foreign Georgia Businesses Seeking to Influence Policy, if Signed into Law
- FARA Went Down to Georgia: State Seeks to Regulate Foreign Agents
- Election year opportunities — and pitfalls — for emerging energy companies

Community Involvement

- Republican National Lawyers Association, Member
- Federalist Society, Member
- UNLV Alumni Association, Member