Digital Assets and Distributed Ledger Technology

Digital Innovation

Digital assets, which include cryptocurrencies, stablecoins, tokenized assets (tokenization), and central bank digital currencies (CBDCs), and distributed ledger technology, which includes blockchain, are fundamentally reshaping U.S. and global business, companies, and transactions. As digital assets and distributed ledger technology use cases expand and adoption grows, companies across virtually every industry are being impacted by these nascent spheres. Those industries at the forefront of involvement include finance, banking, tech, AI, energy, climate change, media, telecom, marketing, supply chain and logistics, retail, healthcare, real estate, transportation, and manufacturing. Entities that are directly, and even indirectly, effected by digital assets and distributed ledger technology must address complex and rapidly changing legal, regulatory, government, business, and compliance matters.

At Kilpatrick, our Digital Assets and Distributed Ledger Technology Practice provides strategic transactional, regulatory, compliance, governmental, and litigation counsel to businesses, suppliers, and customers to help them capitalize on the vast, diverse, and expanding uses of digital assets and distributed ledger technology while also identifying risks and avoiding pitfalls. Our multidisciplinary team of attorneys and lobbyists leverages its collective experience in financial services regulation and compliance, government relations and regulatory development, contract negotiations, fintech, corporate and securities laws, cybersecurity and privacy, intellectual property, litigation, technology transactions, and global data sourcing to help clients evaluate, implement, acquire, and protect matters involving digital assets and distributed ledger technology. Our renowned Artificial Intelligence, Digital Assets, & Distributed Ledger Technology Regulation Blog is at the forefront of digital assets and distributed ledger technology regulatory, legislative, and compliance development, both in the U.S. and globally. The Kilpatrick Digital Assets and Distributed Ledger Technology Practice's collaborative, client-centric approach allows us to provide holistic, tailored advice across myriad industries to help our clients develop and implement effective digital assets and distributed ledger technology strategies, products, and services.

Focus Areas

- Initial Coin & Token Offerings, and other blockchain-enabled fundraising methods
- Intellectual Property Strategy & Patent Applications
- Cryptocurrency Payments & Transfers
- Anti-Money Laundering Laws & Regulations
- Money Transmitter/KYC Laws & Regulations
- Smart Contracts, including open source software licensing
- Enforceability & Dispute Resolution
- Financial Services & Banking Regulation
- Organization of De Novo & Fintech Banks
- Federal & State Regulatory Compliance

- Vendor/Customer Agreements & Negotiations
- Supply Chain Integrity
- Privacy & Data Protection, including compliance with new GDPR regulations
- Blockchain Consortium Membership
- Transactional Due Diligence

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