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Mark Pryor is a former two-term U.S. senator and state attorney general who co-chairs Venable's Legislative and Government Affairs Group and the State Attorneys General Group. He also co-chairs Venable's Congressional Investigations practice. Mark leverages his Capitol Hill experience and relationships to counsel clients effectively on a wide variety of major issues at the intersection of law, policy, and business. From 2003 to 2015, Mark represented Arkansas in the United States Senate, with a strong commitment to issues directly affecting the American people, including communications, Internet, privacy, cybersecurity, aviation, automotive, consumer protection, homeland security, FEMA, and agriculture.

Mark has also gained considerable experience conducting congressional investigations as a member of the Senate's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. He served on several key Senate committees, including Appropriations; Armed Services; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and the Select Committee on Ethics. He most recently chaired the Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and related agencies and the Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Insurance and Automotive Safety. Mark spent 10 years on the Senate's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, where he gained valuable congressional investigations experience. He passed more than 70 pieces of legislation in his two terms, but is perhaps most proud of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008, which made consumer goods safer for all Americans, but most especially children's toys.