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OVERVIEW

David Wochner has advised and represented energy industry clients in Washington, DC, for more than 20 years. David regularly advises clients on critical US federal regulatory and policy issues that impact energy infrastructure and commodities, with a particular focus on issues related to the global energy transition. He co-leads the firm's global Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Hydrogen practice groups, in addition to his roles as managing partner of the Washington, DC office and US regional managing partner. A thought leader on energy-related matters and their intersection with government, David regularly publishes and speaks on these topics.

Over the years, David has appeared regularly on behalf of clients before the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC); the US Departments of Energy, the Interior, and Transportation; EPA; and on Capitol Hill. In 2010-2011, he served as lead Washington counsel on behalf of Transocean in multiple Congressional, US federal agency, and UK House of Commons' investigations and hearings related to the Gulf of Mexico Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

David's clients include natural gas and LNG marketers, importers, exporters, and project developers; hydrogen project developers; financial institutions and hedge funds; offshore energy project developers, including offshore wind and marine hydrokinetic projects; oil and gas pipelines and shippers; oil and gas drilling companies; and state and provincial government officials.

His experience includes counseling and representing clients in matters concerning:

- US LNG exports and imports.
- Interstate natural gas, oil, and oil product pipelines' operations and policies before FERC.
- Development of hydrogen projects, including regulatory and policy considerations related to the development of clean hydrogen standards.
- Natural gas trading operations, including NAESB agreements, interstate transportation capacity, and asset management arrangements.
- US federal, state, and local authorities' roles in the development of energy infrastructure.

- Safety regulations under the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration's (PHMSA) Part 193, applicable to pipelines and LNG facilities, including pursuit of equivalency determinations.
- Congressional investigations into oil and natural gas related matters, including oil spills.
- US Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) leasing and regulatory issues associated with offshore energy facilities, including LNG terminals, wind and hydrokinetic power facilities, and natural gas pipelines.
- Development of stakeholder engagement strategies for energy infrastructure projects.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Washington, DC
  - Energy Law, 2027
  - Energy Regulatory Law, 2017-2022, 2027
- Recognized by *Chambers USA* in Energy: Oil & Gas (Regulatory & Litigation), USA - Nationwide, 2024-2026
- Recognized by *Chambers Global* in Energy: Oil & Gas (Regulatory & Litigation), USA - Nationwide, 2025-2026
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer
  - Energy Regulation: Oil and Gas, 2024-2026
  - Government Relations, 2024-2026
- Selected to Rising Stars list for Energy, 2013-2014
- Recognized by the National LGBT Bar Association in the inaugural Class of 40 Under 40, Recognizing the Best LGBT Lawyers Under the Age of 40, 2010
- Recipient, 2007 Burton Award for Legal Achievement for “Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Litigation After the Energy Policy Act of 2005,” Energy Law Journal, 14 November 2006

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Past member, Connected DMV National Capital Region Hydrogen Initiative Steering Committee
- Past chair and current member, Georgetown University National Law Alumni Board
- Member, Energy Bar Association

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "General Session 2 - The State of LNG Markets and the Future of U.S. Gas and Export Facility Development," Energy Bar Association, Washington, DC, 26 April 2024
- Witness, "Philadelphia LNG Exports Task Force Hearing," 19 May 2023 (Remarks begin at 1:23:00 mark.)
- Moderator, "DOE Support for Hydrogen RD&D and Regional Hydrogen Hubs," S&P Global Platts Hydrogen Markets Americas: New Opportunities for Growth and Investment," San Diego, CA , 31 March 31, 2022
- Moderator, "Focus on Hydrogen - Is large scale, cost-effective commercialization possible for hydrogen as an alternative fuel?," Decarb Connect North America, Houston, TX, 30 March 2022
- Speaker, "Hydrogen Town Hall: Key Trends in Global Hydrogen Policy and Regulation," Washington, D.C., 24 March 2022
- Moderator, "The State of Decarbonization in North America: Hydrogen," Decarb Connect North America: Identifying Competitive Industrial Decarbonization Business Models, 15 June 2021
- Moderator, "The Role of LNG in the Energy Transition," S&P Global Platts 20th Annual LNG Conference, 25 March 2021
- Speaker, "Energy & Environmental Policy in the Next Administration," hosted by K&L Gates, 5 November 2020
- Speaker, "US LNG Update," presentation to Atlantik-Brücke, Washington, D.C., 31 October 2019
- Speaker, "Making American Energy Great Again? The Trump Administration's Use of Regulation and Policy to Impact Global Energy Markets," World Energy Engineering Conference, Charlotte, NC, 18 October 2018
- Speaker, "The U.S. Offshore: Outstanding Opportunity or Onerous Obstacle," presented at "Issues of Offshore Wind Power Generation," Japan Overseas Institute, Tokyo, 13 September 2018
- Speaker, "LNG and U.S. Trade Developments," Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Teleconference, 20 April 2018
- Speaker, "Contracts and Offtake Agreements: A Legal View," Bank of America Merrill Lynch U.S. LNG Prospects Conference, New York, 9 March 2018
- Speaker, "US Infrastructure Cooperation | US Energy / Infrastructure Investment Opportunities Analysis," Beijing, 18 April 2017
- Speaker, "New Administration Policies: How to Maximize Your Business for Growth," OCTANe - Orange County, CA,19 January 2017
- Speaker, "Winter is Coming: The Regulatory Onslaught Against Oil & Gas Midstream Infrastructure," Credit Suisse Restructuring Mini-Conference - Houston, Texas, 1 February 2016
- Speaker, "U.S. Environmental Standards and Regulations for Shale Gas Development," U.S.-China Shale Gas Training Program, Environmental Policy and Technology for Shale Gas Development - Beijing, China, 3-4 December 2015

- Speaker, “Developments in North American Oil, Gas and LNG,” Australian Institute of Energy - Perth, 29 September 2015
- Speaker, “Developments in North American Oil, Gas and LNG,” K&L Gates - Singapore, 26 March 2015
- Speaker, “Regulatory Risk Factors for US LNG Export Projects,” Hart Energy North American LNG Exports Conference, 20 November 2014
- Speaker, Seoul LNG Seminar, 25 March 2014
- Speaker, “U.S. LNG Exports: Consideration of the 'Public Interest,'” 4th Annual North American LNG Exports Conference, 11 December 2013
- Speaker, Tokyo LNG Seminar, 10 September 2013
- Speaker, “Responsible Shale Development - Industry Perspectives,” K&L Gates Second Annual Alaska Oil & Gas Conference, 10 July 2013
- Speaker, “U.S. LNG Exports: Policy and Political Issues,” LNG Export Forum North America, 16-18 May 2012
- Speaker, “Obtaining Permits for LNG Export,” 2nd Annual North American LNG Exports Conference, 1 December 2011
- Leader, Workshop: “Addressing the Impact of Legal & Regulatory Issues on the Shale Gas Industry,” World Shale Gas Conference 2011, 7-11 November 2011
- Speaker, “Federal Agency Jeopardy: An Insider's Guide to the Federal Regulation of Energy Companies and Commodities,” ACC 2011 Annual Meeting, 23-26 October 2011
- Moderator, “Key Policy Developments and their Impact on Offshore Wind,” Offshore Wind Power North America - Boston, MA, 1-2 February 2011
- Speaker, “Issues for Obtaining Liquefaction and Export Authority,” Prospects for North American LNG Exports Program, 11 November 2010
- Co-Leader, “Shale Gas Legal and Regulatory Issues Master Class,” World Shale Gas Conference and Exhibition, 3-5 November 2010
- Speaker, “Managing Regulatory Hurdles in Offshore Wind Projects,” EUEC 2010 – 13th Annual Energy & Environment Conference, 2 February 2010
- Speaker, “U.S. Climate Change Regulation: A Framework for Business Planning For a Sustainable Midstream Industry,” Gas Processors Association – Houston Chapter Annual Conference, 13 October 2009
- Panel Moderator, Platts Gas Interchangeability and Quality Forum, Washington, D.C., 19-20 November 2008
- Speaker, “Improving Stakeholders Perception of LNG,” 15th International Conference and Exhibit on Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG 15) - Barcelona, Spain, 25 April 2007
- Speaker, “Regulating Gas Composition: The U.S. Regulatory System and Its Impact on the Globalization of LNG,” Gas Technology Institute Global LNG Interchangeability Conference, 11-12 September 2006

- Speaker, “LNG Market Outlook,” Valve Manufacturers Association's Annual Market Outlook Workshop, 18 August 2005

EDUCATION

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 2002
- B.S.F.S, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, 1996 *(Certificate in Arab Studies)*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of District of Columbia

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 11 September 2026, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 14
- 16 July 2026 , Data Center Deep Dives: Interconnection, Gas, and Grid Access–The Path to Power
- 15 July 2026, Fanning the Flames: Second Circuit Splits With Ninth Circuit on Federal Preemption of Natural Gas Restrictions
- 1 April 2026, Heat Check: Federal Courts Weigh In on Natural Gas Appliance Restrictions
- 26 January 2026, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 13
- 11 November 2025, European Union Adopts 19th Package of Sanctions Against Russia
- 6 October 2025, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 12
- 3 July 2025, FERC and DOE Roll Back NEPA Rules to Accelerate Permitting
- June 2025, Embassy Series: Key Considerations in US Energy Investment Under the Trump Administration
- 2 June 2025, Course Correction: Supreme Court Steers Toward Greater Predictability in NEPA Reviews
- 6 May 2025, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 11
- April 2025, Energy Policy in the Trump Administration Webinar Series–Session 3: Fossil Fuels
- 7 April 2025, Natural Gas Bans: From New York to Washington, Courts Shift the Landscape on Legality of State and Local Gas Bans
- 7 March 2025, President Trump Touts America First Energy Dominance Agenda to Congress
- 4 February 2025, D.C. Circuit Vacates PHMSA's LNG-by-Rail Rule
- 17 January 2025, Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service Issue Final Regulations on Section 45V Clean Hydrogen Production Tax Credit

- 19 November 2024, Natural Gas Survives Election, Aims to Thrive Post-Election
- 4 November 2024, BOEM, DOD Sign MoU on Advancing Offshore Wind Development
- 28 August 2024, D.C. Circuit Vacates New PHMSA Rules Related to Natural Gas Pipelines
- 26 February 2024, It's a Gas! Federal and State Developments Continue to Light Up the Natural Gas Debate
- 18 January 2024, Tax Credit Revolution: US Treasury and IRS Propose Section 45V Hydrogen Production Tax Credit Regulations
- 10 January 2024, Tax Credit Revolution: Section 45V Hydrogen Production Tax Credit Proposed Regulations
- 27 December 2023, US Treasury Department Releases Proposed Section 45V Hydrogen Tax Credit Regulations
- 12 September 2023, LNG by Rail Rule Suspension
- 1 August 2023, PHMSA's Proposed New Methane Leak Detection and Repair Requirements—What LNG Facilities Need to Know
- 21 April 2023, Ninth Circuit Cans Berkeley Gas Ban Under Federal Law
- 20 January 2023, BOEM Proposes Regulations to Improve Offshore Wind Lease Auction Processes and Project Development Timelines
- 7 September 2022, Hydrogen Rising: Commercial Issues in Europe in the Development of the Hydrogen Value Chain
- 22 August 2022, Hydrogen Rising: The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022: Tax Credits and Other Incentives for Hydrogen Production and Deployment
- 18 May 2022, Hydrogen Rising: Long-Term, Evolutionary, and Sustainable: A Conversation About Hydrogen With Frank Wolak, President and CEO of the Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association
- 25 April 2022, Offshore Wind Handbook
- 20 April 2022, Hydrogen Rising: New Mexico Secretary of Environment James Kenney Discusses the State's Multiple Hydrogen-Focused Initiatives
- 13 April 2022, Hydrogen Rising: Using Methanol to Accelerate the Deployment of Zero-Emission Vehicles (ZEVs) With Kaizen Clean Energy
- 30 March 2022, BOEM Issues Final Sale Notice for Offshore Wind Lease Areas in Carolina Long Bay
- 30 March 2022, Hydrogen Town Hall: Key Trends in Global Hydrogen Policy and Regulation
- 16 March 2022, Record-Setting New York Bight Auction and Newly-Announced Oregon Lease Areas Portend Rapid Growth in U.S. Offshore Wind Industry
- 23 February 2022, Hydrogen Rising: A Conversation with Michelle Detwiler of the Renewable Hydrogen Alliance

- 16 February 2022, 90 Days of Infrastructure - Where Are We Now?
- 09 February 2022, Hydrogen Rising: A Conversation with the Newly Formed Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus Council (HFCBC)
- 01 February 2022, Hydrogen Rising: Season 2 of Hydrogen Rising is Here!
- 28 January 2022, NEPA: The Old Becomes New
- 28 January 2022, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Propels the U.S. Offshore Wind Industry
- 11 January 2022, Carbon Quarterly – Volume 5
- 6 December 2021, FERC Issues 2021 Enforcement Report
- 24 November 2021, Hydrogen Rising: COP26, the Clean Energy Economy, and Hydrogen
- 16 November 2021, U.S. Congress Secures Final Passage of Historic Investment in Infrastructure
- 15 November 2021 , U.S. Congress Secures Final Passage of Historic Investment in Infrastructure
- 11 November 2021, Hydrogen Rising: It Really is Infrastructure Week! Congress Passes Historic Infrastructure Bill Offering Massive Opportunities for the Build Out of the Hydrogen Economy.
- 27 October 2021, Hydrogen Rising: Hydrogen and the Maritime Sector, Part 2: Policy and Legislative Issues
- 8 October 2021, Celebrating National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day – A Conversation with Dr. Sunita Satyapal, Director of the U.S. Department of Energy's Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies Office
- 15 September 2021, Hydrogen and the Maritime Sector, Part I: Introduction to the Industry
- 1 September 2021, Creating Demand: Australia's Star Scientific, a Demand-Side Hydrogen Activator
- 11 August 2021, Big News at Hydrogen Rising and August Holiday
- 28 July 2021, Plugging Away: Plug Power Advances the Hydrogen Ecosystem in Europe
- 14 July 2021, Sizing up the Scale of MENA's Potential Role in the Hydrogen Economy
- 30 June 2021, Taking a Regional Approach to Hydrogen: A Conversation with DC-based Connected DMV
- 16 June 2021, U.S. Department of Energy and Capitol Hill Advance Hydrogen Priorities
- 16 June 2021, U.S. Tax Incentives, Part 2: The View from Capitol Hill
- 3 June 2021, D.C. Circuit Affirms That Offshore Wind Lease Does Not Trigger NEPA Review
- 2 June 2021, U.S. Tax Incentives: New Opportunities for Hydrogen Investments
- 19 May 2021, Fuel Cells & Beyond: Cummins & the Hydrogen Economy
- 21 April 2021, Wading In: Water Resource Issues in the Development of the Hydrogen Economy
- 24 March 2021, Hydrogen Is Truly Rising -- Opportunities for the Aviation Industry

- 10 March 2021, California's Role in the Hydrogen Economy
- 24 February 2021, The Colors of Hydrogen: Simple or Oversimplified?
- 27 January 2021, Leveraging the Existing U.S. Natural Gas Pipeline System for Hydrogen Transportation
- 26 January 2021, Distinguished Speaker Series with FERC Commissioner Neil Chatterjee
- 13 January 2021, Opportunities for Hydrogen in the Biden Administration
- 16 December 2020, Incentives and Tax Issues Impacting the Australian Hydrogen Sector
- 19 November 2020, Blending Hydrogen Into U.S. Natural Gas Pipelines: Three Issues to Resolve
- 18 November 2020, Hydrogen Rising: Very Long Duration Storage
- 5 November 2020, Energy & Environmental Policy in the Next Administration
- 23 October 2020, Hydrogen Rising: EU and UK Hydrogen Strategies and Incentives
- 21 October 2020, Hydrogen Rising: A Sustainable Energy Source on the Brink of Commercial Scale Development
- 17 September 2020, Senate ENR Committee Holds Hearing on FERC Commissioner Nominees
- 15 September 2020, Senate ENR Hearing Slated for FERC Nominees
- 28 July 2020, Trump Nominates Clements, Christie to FERC
- 23 July 2020, A New Normal? Trump Administration Retooling of Core NEPA Elements
- 9 June 2020, COVID-19: President Trump's Invocation of Emergency Authority to Streamline Environmental Review for Infrastructure Projects
- 4 June 2020, COVID-19: America's Return to Work: Liability and Risk Mitigation Outlook
- 28 April 2020, COVID-19: America's Path Forward: Returning to Work
- March 2020, COVID-19: Analysis of White House National Emergency Declaration and Implementation
- 12 March 2020, COVID-19: Federally Regulated Energy Businesses
- 17 February 2020, Certain Uncertainty at FERC: Areas to Watch in 2020 for Natural Gas Pipelines and LNG and Hydropower Facilities
- 5 June 2019, Congressional Investigations 101: Prudence is Your Watchword
- 7 February 2019, Navigating Environmental Policy in a Divided Government
- 19 December 2018, Winds of Change
- 20 June 2018, DOE Takes Concrete Steps to Streamline Permitting and Reassure Global LNG Markets
- 26 April 2018, A Policy Revolution to Match the Shale Revolution?

- 4 August 2017, FERC Welcomes New Commissioners, Quorum Restored
- 12 June 2017, Energy Department Seeks Input on Regulatory Reform
- 3 May 2017, President Trump's Latest Executive Order a Potential Boon for Offshore Energy Development
- 24 March 2017, Avangrid Wins Latest BOEM Auction for Offshore North Carolina Lease and Moves Towards Full Commercial Lease
- 23 March 2017, Avangrid Wins Latest BOEM Auction for Offshore North Carolina Lease and Moves Towards Full Commercial Lease
- 16 March 2017, Developers Submit Unsolicited Requests for Wind Leases Offshore Massachusetts and New York
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- 19 December 2016, Antitrust Claims: A Novel Line of Attack by Groups Opposing Natural Gas Infrastructure Projects
- 25 October 2016, Paris Agreement to Enter into Force: Implications for Enforcement in the United States and Internationally
- 17 August 2016, Another Step Toward North Carolina Offshore Wind: Proposed Offshore Wind Farm Lease Announced
- 4 August 2016, CEQ Issues Final Greenhouse Gas Guidance Directing Federal Agencies to Consider Climate Change in their NEPA Reviews
- 12 July 2016, Regulating Exploration on the Arctic OCS: Interior Finalizes Rules for Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling on the Arctic Outer Continental Shelf
- 1 July 2016, Federal Judge: Authority Lacking for Regulation of Hydraulic Fracking
- 30 June 2016, Federal Court Upholds FERC's Approach on LNG Environmental Permitting and Shifts Focus to Challenges to DOE's Environmental Review
- 23 June 2016, President Obama Signs Pipeline Safety Law: Significant Additional Mandates for PHMSA and Potential for More Rulemakings to Come
- Spring 2016, Environmental Policy Quarterly
- 3 March 2016, Shake-Ups Planned for Pipeline Safety Regulation
- 26 February 2016, The European Commission Approves an Energy Security Package Emphasizing Infrastructure Development and LNG Imports
- 17 December 2015, Presidential Memorandum Promotes Pre-Project Mitigation and Restoration Banking: Implications for Energy Projects and Related Development

- 21 July 2015, FERC Rejects Requests for Clarification but Provides Additional Details Regarding Pipeline Modernization Surcharge Mechanisms
- 29 April 2015, FERC Policy Statement Regarding Pipeline Recovery of System Modernization Costs
- 24 April 2015, Newly Installed FERC Chairman Norman Bay's Past Opinions Signal Preference for Energetic Use of Commission Authority
- 23 September 2013, LNG: A Global and U.S. Perspective

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "Natural gas survives the election. Post-election prospects strong," *EnviroPolitics Blog*, 19 November 2024
- "US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit Vacates New Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration Rules Related to Natural Gas Pipelines," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, November-December 2024
- "It's a Gas! Federal and State Developments Continue to Light Up the Natural Gas Debate," *Energy Law Report*, May 2024
- "US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Cans Berkeley Gas Ban Under Federal Law," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, July-August 2023
- "Proposed Regulations to Improve Offshore Wind Lease Auction Processes and Timelines," ALI CLE's *The Practical Real Estate Lawyer*, May 2023
- "How Proposed BOEM Regs Will Boost Offshore Wind Projects," *Law360,* 1 February 2023
- "Hydrogen Gets a Lift in Federal Infrastructure Act," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, April 2022
- "NY, NJ Lease Auctions Highlight US Push For Offshore Wind," *Law360*, 10 February 2022
- "Key Provisions of FERC's 2021 Enforcement Report," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, February 2022.
- "The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 Is Now Law," *The Banking Law Journal*, February 2022
- "Pipeline Projects Face New Questions On Landowner Rights," *Law360*, 6 November 2019
- "When States Fail To Act On Federal Pipeline Permits," *Law360*, 24 July 2017
- Co-author, "Antitrust: A New Line Of Attack Against Pipelines," *Energy Law 360,* 13 February 2017
- Co-author, "Antitrust Claims: A Novel Line of Attack by Groups Opposing Natural Gas Infrastructure Projects," *The Override,* January 2017
- Co-author, "Paris Agreement to Enter into Force: Implications for Enforcement in the United States and Internationally," *The National Law Review,* 25 October 2016
- Co-Author, CEQ Issues Final Greenhouse Gas Guidance Directing Federal Agencies to Consider Climate Change in Their NEPA Reviews, *Pratt's Energy Law Report, Vol. 16-9*, October 2016

- Co-author, "K&L Gates: How will the US Presidential Election Affect the Energy Landscape," *Caijing,* 23 September 2016
- Author, "The Implications of Final Rule Regulating Arctic OCS Drilling," *Alaska Journal of Commerce,* 18 September 2016
- Co-author, "Federal Court Upholds FERC's Approach on LNG Environmental Permitting and Shifts Focus to Challenges to DOE's Environmental Review," Pratt's Energy Law Report, September 2016
- "The European Commission Approves an Energy Security Package Emphasizing Infrastructure Development and LNG Imports," *Pratt's Energy Law Report*, May 2016
- Co-author, "FERC's Jurisdiction Now Reaches Ethane Pipelines Too," *Energy Law 360*, 27 February 2014
- Co-author, "The Development of US Shale Gas Resources: Regulation and Litigation," *Managing Power Magazine,* 1 September 2011
- Commentator, "Pro-drilling GOPer wins Va. governor's race, fueling push for 2011 lease sale," *Inside Energy,* 9 November 2009
- Commentator, "MMS issues rules for renewable projects on the OCS, eases way for offshore wind," *Inside FERC,* 24 April 2009
- Co-author, "LNG Importer Focus Turns to US Interchangeability Rules," *LNG Journal,* November/December 2007
- Co-author, "Reviewing LNG Regulations," *Pipeline and Gas Technology,* November 2007
- Author, "Middle Eastern Oil and Gas," *CQ Press,* 2007
- Co-author, "European LNG Developers Face Complex Commercial Landscape," *Oil & Gas Journal,* 9 April 2007
- Co-author, "Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Litigation After the Energy Policy Act of 2005," *Energy Law Journal,* 14 November 2006
- Co-author, "Florida's Gas Composition Decision Offers Preliminary Guidelines for US LNG Imports," *LNG Journal,* May 2006
- Co-author, "LNG's Final Hurdle," *Public Utilities Fortnightly,* March 2006
- Co-author, "Sandia LNG Study Changes Landscape for Terminal Siting," *LNG Observer,* April–June 2005

NEWS & EVENTS

- 31 August 2026, K&L Gates Strengthens International Trade Practice With Washington, DC Hire
- 17 August 2026, K&L Gates Adds Broker-Dealer Regulatory Partner in Washington, DC

- 16 June 2026, K&L Gates Washington, DC Partner Elected President of the Bar Association of the District of Columbia
- 16 June 2026, K&L Gates Adds Senior US Department of Justice and Former White House Lawyer to Public Policy and Law Practice
- 10 June 2026, K&L Gates Enhances Public Policy and Law Practice With Addition of Government Affairs Advisor in Washington, DC
- 4 June 2026, K&L Gates Receives Nearly 235 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2026 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 4 June 2026, Chief of Staff for US Speaker of the House to Join K&L Gates' Public Policy and Law Practice
- 7 May 2026, Powering the Future: Energy, Infrastructure, and the Next Generation of Development in the DMV
- 21 April 2026, DBJ North America Energy Conference, Hosted by Development Bank of Japan, Inc.
- 12 February 2026, *Chambers Global* 2026 Guide Ranks K&L Gates Lawyers, Practices
- 2 February 2026, Former SEC Division Co-Chief Counsel Joins K&L Gates, Elevating Asset Management and Investment Funds Practice
- 15 September 2025, K&L Gates Enhances Long-Established Maritime, Seafood Practices With Addition of Former NOAA Legislative Affairs Leader in Washington, DC
- 9 September 2025, K&L Gates Adds Nuclear Regulatory Lawyer in Washington, DC
- 14 July 2025, K&L Gates Names New United States Regional Managing Partner
- 25 June 2025, K&L Gates Bolsters Healthcare Practice With 340B, Pharmacy Law Partner in Washington, D.C.
- 18 June 2025, K&L Gates Enhances Public Policy and Law Practice With Transportation, Emerging Technologies Lawyer in Washington, D.C.
- 5 June 2025, K&L Gates Receives More Than 240 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2025 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 8 May 2025, K&L Gates Enhances Public Policy and Law Practice With Pair of Partners in Washington, D.C.
- 4 March 2025, K&L Gates Adds Firm's First National Security Policy Advisor
- 24 February 2025, K&L Gates Enhances Energy, Infrastructure, and Resources Practice With Washington, D.C., Partner
- 13 February 2025, *Chambers Global* 2025 Guide Ranks K&L Gates Lawyers, Practices
- 6 June 2024, K&L Gates Receives More Than 200 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2024 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 15 May 2024, K&L Gates Adds Pair of International Trade Partners to Washington, D.C., Office
- 17 January 2024 , K&L Gates Adds Of Counsel to Public Policy and Law Practice in Washington, D.C.

- 4 January 2024, K&L Gates Continues Washington, D.C., Office Growth With Antitrust Partner Addition
- 5 December 2023, K&L Gates Adds Pair of Justice Department Lawyers in Washington, D.C., Office
- 8 August 2023, K&L Gates Welcomes Insurance Litigation Partner to Washington, D.C., Office
- 14 February 2023, Former Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Chief Counsel Joins K&L Gates as Washington, D.C., Partner
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 3 August 2022, K&L Gates Adds Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation Partner in Washington, D.C.
- 16 June 2022, K&L Gates Welcomes Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation Partner in Brussels
- 3 May 2022, K&L Gates Strengthens Health Care Practice With Addition of Another Former U.S. Attorney
- 30 March 2022, Focus on Hydrogen - Is Large Scale, Cost-Effective Commercialization Possible for Hydrogen as an Alternative Fuel?
- 24 March 2022, Hydrogen Town Hall: Key Trends in Global Hydrogen Policy and Regulation
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 21 May 2021, K&L Gates Policy and Regulatory Practice, Lawyers Ranked Among Leaders in 2021 Chambers USA Guide
- 10 November 2020, Hydrogen Markets Americas Virtual Conference
- 8 October 2020, Hydrogen Online Conference
- 7 October 2020, K&L Gates Energy Practice Releases First-of-Kind Hydrogen Handbook to Help Clients Capitalize on Growing Global Hydrogen Sector

MEDIA MENTIONS

- 5 January 2026, *Law360* | What Will Shape The DC Legal Market In 2026

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Quoted, "FERC In Position To Ride Out Any Election Day Upheaval," *Law360*, 1 November 2024
- Quoted, “Narrow IRA hydrogen guidance hit,” *Project Finance International*, 16 January 2024
- Quoted, “Australia to profit from new US hydrogen rules,” *Australian Financial Review (AFR.com)*, 5 January 2024
- Quoted, “US – Narrow hydrogen guidance may impact hubs,” *Project Finance International*, 10 January 2024

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- Quoted, “Tough rules for US green hydrogen incentives open door for Australia,” *Australian Financial Review*, 3 January 2024
- Quoted, “Firm Leaders Share Their Priorities For DC Offices In 2024,” *Law360*, 2 January 2024
- Mentioned, “DOE Shirked Climate In LNG Export Approvals, Sierra Says,” *Law360*, 8 February 2023
- Quoted, “Despite Slowing M&A Market, Firms With Regs Expertise Are Poised to Stay Busy,” *The American Lawyer*, 5 August 2022
- Quoted, "FERC Says it Will Consider Greenhouse Gas Emissions and 'Environmental Justice' Impacts in Approving New Natural Gas Pipelines," *Inside Climate News*, 21 March 2022
- "Law Firms Seeing Green From Hydrogen," *Reuters*, 17 November 2021
- Quoted, "Justices Ease Pipeline Fears In State Land Rights Fight," *Law360*, 29 June 2021
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- Quoted, "Biden May Have to Tread Carefully with Energy Nominees, Policy Experts Say," *S&P Global*, 2 December 2020
- Quoted, “DC Circ. Fails To Clear The Air On FERC's Climate Duties,” *Energy Law360*, 9 May 2019
- Quoted, “Offshore Crude Exports Hopefuls May Face Project Permitting Pains,” *SPG Global*, 1 April 2019
- Quoted, “For Energy Projects, GHG Scrutiny Now A Fact of Life,” *Energy Law 360, 2* April 2014
- Quoted, “Panel to Obama: Overhaul 1970s energy policies,” *Politico,* 28 January 2014
- Quoted, "Freeport won't likely appeal 'bogus' DOE order: CEO," *Platts Gas Daily,* 12 December 2013
- Quoted, “US LNG export 'sweet spot' may be elusive: officials,” *Platts LNG Dai*ly, 11 December 2013
- Quoted, “Industrial energy group calls US LNG export policy unfair, but opponents claim argument misleads,” *Inside FERC,* 11 November 2013
- Quoted, "Shutdown Will Grind New Energy Projects To A Halt," *Energy Law 360,* 1 October 1, 2013
- Quoted, “Analysis: Companies may turn to courts on U.S. natural gas export push,” *Reuters,* 18 June 2013
- Quoted, "DOE Seen Delaying LNG Export Licenses Next Year," *Argus Media,* 14 December 2012

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Public Policy and Law

- Administrative and Regulatory Law
- Environment and Energy
- International Trade, Investment Controls, and National Security
- US Congressional Investigations

INDUSTRIES

- Carbon Solutions
- Energy
- Hydrogen
- Liquefied Natural Gas
- Nuclear Energy
- Offshore Wind Energy
- Oil and Gas
- Power
- Technology
- Utilities

EMERGING ISSUES

- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Data Centers and Energy Intensive Infrastructure

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

ONSHORE

- Serve as lead regulatory and policy counsel on behalf of Commonwealth LNG in the development of the 9.5 million tonnes per year (mtpa) LNG export facility on the Calcasieu Ship Channel in southwestern Louisiana, including representing the client before FERC and DOE and on Capitol Hill.
- Serve as lead regulatory and policy counsel on behalf of Glenfarne Group in efforts to develop the 4 mtpa Texas LNG export facility in Brownsville, Texas, including representing the client before FERC, DOE, Capitol Hill, and the US Courts of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and the Fifth Circuit in appeals of project authorizations.

- Advise and represent very large southern US utility on drafting and negotiation of more than a dozen natural gas pipeline precedent agreements for major pipeline and storage expansion projects throughout multiple states, including detailed assessment of interstate, Section 311 and intrastate jurisdictional issues.
- Act as lead regulatory and policy counsel on behalf of NextDecade Corp. in the development of the proposed 27 mtpa Rio Grande LNG export facility and carbon capture and sequestration (CCS) project and the Rio Bravo Pipeline project in Brownsville, Texas, including engagement with and provision of strategic advice regarding FERC, DOE, PHMSA, the US Army Corps, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service, in the company's pursuit of all project authorizations and federal appeals of such authorizations before the US Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and the Fifth Circuit.
- Serve as lead regulatory and policy counsel on behalf of Glenfarne Group (and its predecessor Australian-based Liquefied Natural Gas Ltd) in efforts to develop the 8.8 mtpa Magnolia LNG export facility in Lake Charles, Louisiana, including representing the client before FERC, DOE, PHMSA and the US Coast Guard, and providing strategic policy advice on US LNG exports to Europe.
- Advise and represent Magnolia LNG in efforts to secure approval of previously approved LNG export facility production capacity increase, including engagement with FERC, PHMSA, EPA and OSHA related to federal regulations governing non-hydrocarbon hazardous substances onsite, including PHMSA Part 193, EPA RMP, and OSHA PSM programs.
- Advise and represent client before the US Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration in effort to secure equivalency determination for LNG technology pursuant to NFPA 59A (2001) Section 1.2 and 49 CFR 193.
- Advise and represent multiple US LNG export project developers on CFIUS matters, including engagement with Treasury Department and the US Department of Energy related to foreign investment in LNG infrastructure by Chinese infrastructure funds and a Middle East-based sovereign wealth fund.
- Advise LNG export project developer on all regulatory matters related to negotiation of a 20-year interstate pipeline capacity precedent agreement with a large interstate natural gas pipeline company, including open season obligations, asset management arrangements, capacity release provisions, negotiated rate agreements, and analysis of FERC policy on buy-sell transactions for LNG export projects and related feed gas pipelines.
- Advise and represent US LNG export project developer in negotiations with US Export-Import Bank related to various financing and funding mechanisms for LNG offtake from US Gulf Coast facility.
- Advise clients on regulatory issues related to hydrogen sector opportunities, including jurisdictional and regulatory issues regarding scope of existing authorities at FERC, DOE and PHMSA, as well as related DOE programs for "blue" hydrogen-associated carbon capture.
- Advise US-based energy development company on helium production issues on federal lands under the US Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Federal Helium System.
- Draft comments on behalf of and counsel large oil and gas trade association in major regulatory rulemaking before the US Department of Energy in 2012 related to analysis and consideration of greenhouse gas

emissions (GHGs) and climate change in the agency's NEPA regulatory review process for multiple large-scale liquefied natural gas export facilities.

- Advise large oil and gas trade association on White House Council on Environmental Quality efforts during the Obama Administration to modify regulations related to implementation of NEPA.
- Represent the American Petroleum Institute in appeal before the US Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit related to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's and the Department of Energy's consideration of GHGs, climate change, and upstream and downstream indirect effects from LNG and natural gas pipeline infrastructure development.
- Represent and advise the Government of the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, on LNG and natural gas matters, including participation in proceedings at FERC, PHMSA, and US Coast Guard related to LNG import and export terminal, maritime transit, and pipeline safety issues.
- Advise large energy infrastructure hedge fund with over US$6 billion under management on US LNG export issues, including development of strategies to address political and policy issues at DOE and FERC.
- Serve as lead regulatory counsel on behalf of a major international LNG importer in natural gas interchangeability proceedings on multiple interstate pipelines and in defense against allegations of infrastructure harm.
- Serve as lead counsel for large Marcellus shale natural gas producer regarding the development and acquisition of capacity on multiple interstate pipelines, including acting as lead negotiator for multiple 20-year precedent agreements with pipeline companies.
- Advise and represent large global oil and gas trading company on FERC regulatory matters, including the transfer of natural gas supply and transportation contracts, verification of compliance with FERC regulations and policies, and representation before FERC in applications for waivers of FERC's tying prohibition to effectuate the sale and purchase.
- Represent start-up company involved in natural gas vehicles industry in lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill related to passage of the NATGAS Act, encouraging use of natural gas as a transportation fuel.
- Represent independent natural gas producer in the Marcellus Shale in FERC proceedings seeking the abandonment of interstate natural gas pipelines and conversion to gathering lines.
- Advise and represent large southeast electric cooperative in negotiation and drafting of precedent agreements with two long-haul interstate natural gas pipelines.
- Advise large southeast electric cooperative on PHMSA compliance matters related to oil pipeline crossing property.
- Advise large southeast electric cooperative on negotiation of NAESB gas supply agreements.
- Advise and negotiate on behalf of a major IOC in all regulatory and commercial matters associated with acquisition of LNG export and pipeline transportation capacity at the Elba Island LNG terminal.

- Advise and negotiate on behalf of a major Asian NOC on regulatory and commercial matters associated with acquisition of LNG export capacity at the Cove Point LNG export terminal.

OFFSHORE

- Advise start-up marine hydrokinetic energy company with regard to US regulatory and policy issues related to the deployment of prototype technology in the US gulfstream.
- Advise major European oil and gas company on regulatory requirements related to the abandonment of a pipeline on the US outer continental shelf (OCS) under the Deepwater Port Act and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (OCSLA).
- Advise and represent developer of offshore CNG export facility in the Gulf of Mexico OCS in regulatory proceedings before the Maritime Administration (MARAD) and US Coast Guard.
- Serve as lead Washington counsel for a major international drilling company in multiple Congressional investigations and hearings related to the 2010 Gulf of Mexico *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill.
- Draft written testimony and prepare senior executive of major international drilling company for oral testimony before the United Kingdom House of Commons Select Committee on Energy and Climate Change related to offshore drilling issues after the 2010 Gulf of Mexico *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill.
- Advise offshore Gulf of Mexico LNG import project developer on regulatory and policy issues associated with the Deepwater Port Act, including Governors' veto authority, interagency dispute resolution, and obtaining offshore leases from MMS for associated pipelines and cables.
- Advise large offshore energy company with regard to US Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) leasing and Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) enforcement matters related to offshore drilling activities, including issuance of notice of incidents of non-compliance (INCs).
- Advise and represent a European offshore wind project developer bidding in a US BOEM lease sale off the coast of Maryland, including advice on the regulatory process and competition rules applicable to bidding.