

# Energy Bar Association »»

*Year in Review*

2024



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**CONOR B. WARD**  
EBA PRESIDENT  
2024 - 2025

Fellow EBA Members,

Thank you for being a part of the EBA in 2024. It has been a remarkable year. Our Annual Meeting in April and the Mid-Year Energy Forum in October continued to see growth in the both the number of attendees and the caliber of industry thought leaders who attended and spoke. Our eight chapters across the U.S. and Canada continued to engage local EBA members on issues of significance to their regions, and our Steering Committees and Councils brought together diverse groups of attorneys to explore issues specific to their practice areas. Throughout this year-in-review, you'll read about these programs and the volunteer leaders who have dedicated their time and expertise to making these programs a reality.

I am continually impressed with the professional diversity of EBA's membership. Our community includes members employed by law firms and companies of all sizes, non-profit organizations, academic institutions, state and federal regulators, as well as energy professionals and law students. I started my career in energy law as a FERC intern thanks to the Foundation of the Energy Law Journal (FELJ), and EBA membership has helped me grow and advance my career through its education and networking programs. Whether you are a senior or mid-career attorney, or just starting your energy law career, EBA has a place for you.

As an association, we found ways to give back to our community this year through our two related foundations—the Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association (CFEBA) and the FELJ.

In January, the CFEBA awarded two grants to energy-related charities providing assistance to people in Sierra Leone and Ukraine. It also made a significant donation to support energy related disaster assistance in the wake of Hurricane Helene. You can learn more about these efforts on the CFEBA website.

The FELJ continued its work of providing EBA members with access to the widely respected Energy Law Journal. The Foundation published two editions in 2024 and the first of its 2025 editions will be available later this spring. Current and back issues of the Energy Law Journal are available on the FELJ website.

Thank you for being part of the EBA, CFEBA and FELJ communities in 2024. I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting in Washington in May.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Conor Ward". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Conor Ward  
2024-2025 President, Energy Bar Association

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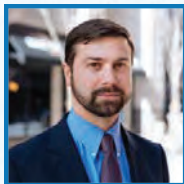
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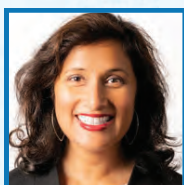
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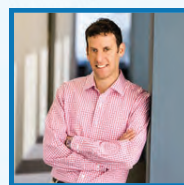
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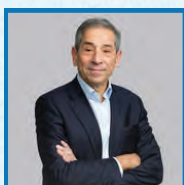
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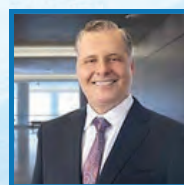
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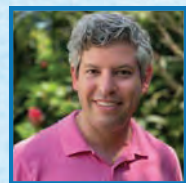
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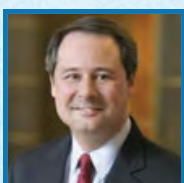
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# ABOUT THE EBA

## EBA MISSION

### ADVANCING

the professional excellence of those engaged in energy law, regulation and policy through professional education, exploring diverse viewpoints and building connections.

### CREATING

an environment that facilitates robust dialogue and debate designed to explore the multiple facets of current and emerging issues and policy, and to surface innovative ideas.

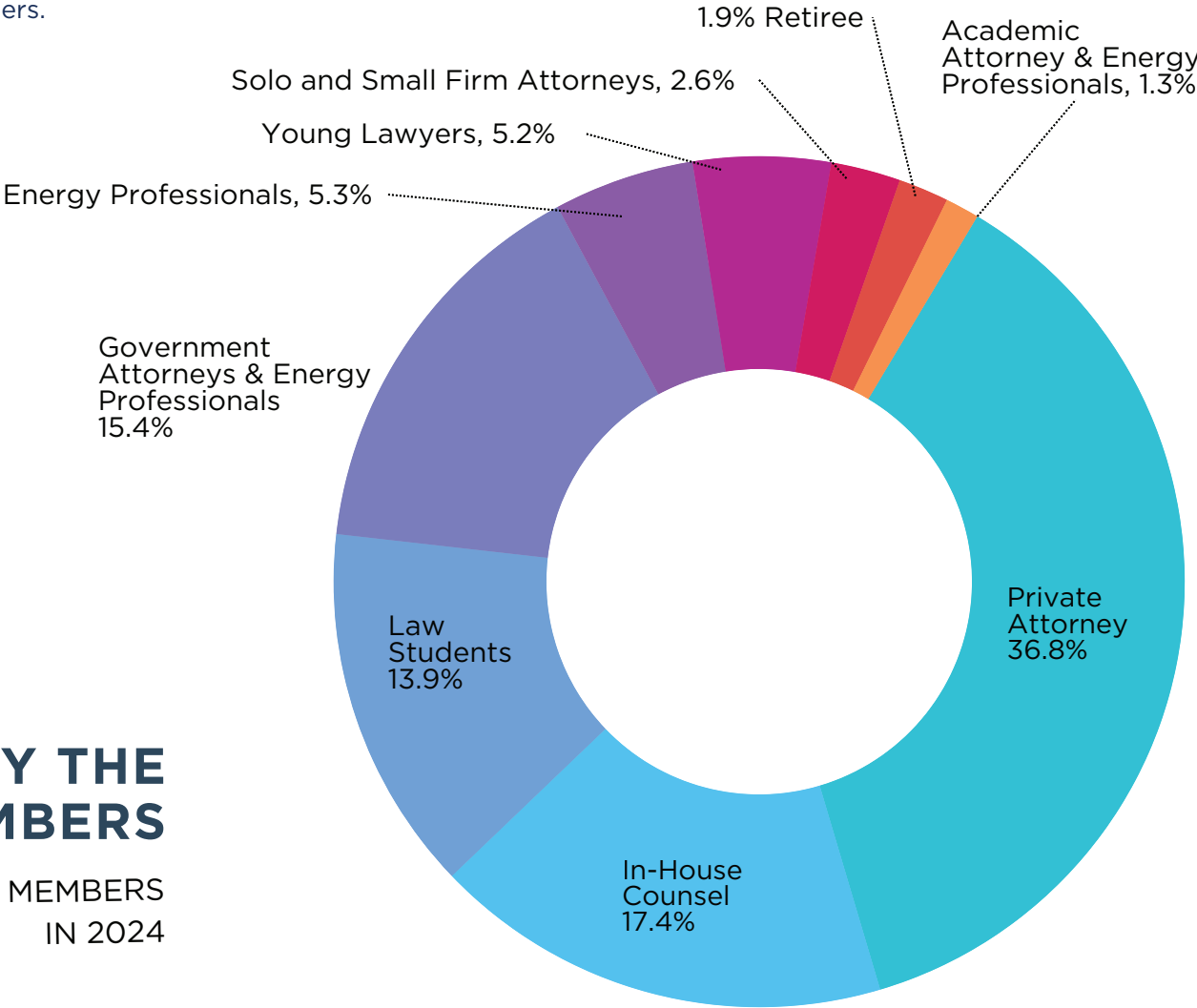
### GROWING

an inclusive community that connects and engages a vast and diverse array of energy industry participants and thought leaders.

The **Energy Bar Association** is an international, non-profit association of attorneys, energy professionals, and students active in all areas of energy law. EBA has seven regional chapters across the U.S. and one in Canada. The Energy Bar Association was established in 1946 as Federal Power Bar Association and has evolved over the subsequent decades to encompass a wider array of energy practices. Around 2000, "Federal" was dropped from the name to reflect the diversity of practices within the membership, not all of which focus on federal law.

EBA hosts numerous in-person and virtual events throughout the year, including two national conferences that draw hundreds of energy industry participants from across the country. Our educational programming focuses on providing introductory and advanced level programs, many approved for continuing legal education credits (CLE).

Volunteer opportunities are plentiful within the EBA and include serving on a Steering Committee or Council, speaking at a national or regional event, and serving on the board of a regional chapter.



## BY THE NUMBERS

1,778 MEMBERS  
IN 2024

## EBA CAREER CENTER

### Connecting Talent with Opportunity

The EBA strives to help connect people with opportunities that help them develop their career. Whether you are just starting a career in energy law or looking to expand your practice and build connections, check out our Career Center for featured opportunities and insights.

### For Job Seekers

Access thousands of jobs nationwide, career resources, and set up job alerts. If you are looking for a position in the energy law and policy community, view available job listings in the Career Center. Keep an eye out for featured postings in the Monday Memos member newsletter!

### For Employers

The Career Center offers employers a variety of ways to stand out among your competitors, while posting your job where the highest qualified candidates go to search.



[careers.eba-net.org](https://careers.eba-net.org)

### EBA On-Demand

Our virtual content library, **EBA On-Demand**, is your source for energy law and policy content from the EBA, including recorded webinars, half and full-day education events and sessions from the EBA's Annual Meeting and Conference and Mid-Year Energy Forum.

EBA On-Demand is constantly updated with virtual recordings of EBA events and education offerings, and content can be purchased via individual sessions or special promotional bundles. Small and Large Team Training Passes are available, providing access to EBA's content for everyone in your organization.

### EBA Energy Law Academy

The Energy Law Academy curriculum focuses on the core legal and regulatory concepts that every energy law practitioner needs for success. For those new to energy law, or those who are looking to expand their practice area expertise, the Energy Law Academy is the place to start.

Each year, EBA volunteers present 2-3 courses live, in locations around the country. All courses are available on EBA On Demand. ELA courses are the perfect opportunity for attorneys and energy professionals new to the energy industry to gain a comprehensive foundation of the various aspects of the energy law sector. Upon completion, you will have a greater understanding of the major subject matter areas, giving you the skills to better approach, research, and evaluate issues facing your clients.

### EBA Brief

The EBA Brief contains timely articles on energy-related legal or policy issues of interest to legal and energy professionals. Readers should expect insightful articles from colleagues on current cases, regulatory actions, and industry trends. EBA Brief is an excellent opportunity for members to exchange ideas, remain current, and engage in open debate. The EBA Brief is published periodically throughout the year based on the volume of article submissions.

Writing for the EBA Brief is a significant opportunity for members to share their expertise and analysis with others in the community.

# EBA MEMBERS MAKING AN IMPACT

Each year, EBA recognizes the outstanding professional contributions of its members to the energy law and policy community.

## State or Provincial Regulatory Practitioner Award

The State or Provincial Regulatory Practitioner Award recognizes the impact of EBA members who represent clients before U.S. state or Canadian provincial regulatory agencies and whose advocacy has produced significant results or recognition, and have made substantial contributions to the advancement of energy law. EBA presented the 2024 State/Provincial Regulatory Practitioner Award posthumously to Gordon Kaiser, who passed suddenly on May 16, 2024.

Gordon's leadership in advancing energy law extended beyond his significant contributions to the regulatory framework. He was a driving force behind the establishment of EBA's Canadian Chapter, served as its first President, and was Vice President at the time of his passing. Gordon also spearheaded the Canadian Energy Law Forum, held annually to bring energy regulatory lawyers from Canada and the U.S. together to discuss key cases, issues, and developments in the Canadian energy industry. This also inspired him to later publish the *Energy Regulation Quarterly*, Canada's leading energy law journal, and author multiple articles for FELJ's *Energy Law Journal*.



**GORDON KAISER**

*Formerly  
Mediator & Arbitrator*

*ENERGY LAW  
CHAMBERS*

## Paul E. Nordstrom Service Award

The Paul E. Nordstrom Service Award was created in memory of Paul Nordstrom, a past President of the Energy Bar Association and motivating force in the organization of the Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association (CFEBA). The Award honors exemplary long-term service or a particularly significant example of public service by a current or past member to the community through participation in EBA, CFEBA, or Foundation of the Energy Law Journal (FELJ). EBA presented the 2024 Paul E. Nordstrom Award to Lawrence R. Greenfield.

Larry was a dedicated public servant for his entire career, serving under every FERC Chairman and Commissioner since FERC's establishment until his retirement in the spring of 2023. He mentored countless attorneys and served as a critical liaison between EBA and FERC staff, ensuring that FERC staff could participate as attendees and panelists at EBA annual and mid-year meetings.



**LAWRENCE R.  
GREENFIELD**

*Fmr. Associate General  
Counsel, Office of General  
Counsel's Energy Markets  
Division*

**FEDERAL ENERGY  
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# EBA MEMBERS MAKING AN IMPACT

## Diversity and Inclusion Champion

This award is given to an EBA Member who has shown unequivocal support of EBA's Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) program, with sustained efforts toward the active promotion of diversity and inclusion within the Association and legal profession. This year, EBA presented the 2024 Diversity and Inclusion Champion award to Adrienne Clair, for actively promoting and instilling a culture of acceptance within the energy bar.

An EBA Past President, Adrienne played a pivotal role as a member of the task force responsible for the development and adoption of EBA's revised Diversity and Inclusion policy in 2018. Her dedication to this initiative highlights her commitment to positive change within the Association and the broader legal community. Her contributions were instrumental in shaping the policy, reflecting her deep understanding of the importance of diversity and inclusion in our profession.

One of Adrienne's notable accomplishments is her annual minority energy bar luncheon, which she has organized for decades. This event serves as a platform for fostering connections, sharing experiences, and promoting inclusivity, and reflects her genuine passion for creating spaces that celebrate diversity and empower minority professionals in our field.



**ADRIENNE CLAIR**

*Partner*  
THOMPSON  
COBURN LLP

## Jason F. Leif Chapter Service Award

In 2018, the Energy Bar Association created the Jason F. Leif Chapter Service Award in memory of Jason F. Leif, a past EBA President, a past President of EBA's Houston Chapter, and a motivating force in the revitalization of the Houston Chapter. This award recognizes exemplary long-term service by an EBA member to one or more of EBA's eight chapters.

We were pleased to present the 2024 Jason F. Leif Chapter Service Award to Freddi L. Greenberg. Freddi is the 2012 recipient of the Paul E. Nordstrom Service Award and a Past President of EBA's Midwest Chapter where she has long-served in a leadership capacity.

Her nominator remarked: "Freddi is the best marketing material for the Chapter. She frequently speaks about how much the EBA has given her in terms of professional development, and most importantly, she speaks about her colleagues' collegiality and how much she appreciates the professionalism of the members. It is Freddi's willingness to share and give back to the Midwest Chapter year after year that makes her an exemplary member that deserves recognition."



**FREDDI L. GREENBERG**

*Attorney*  
FREDDI L. GREENBERG  
LAW OFFICE

# EBA MEMBERS MAKING AN IMPACT

## Rising Star in Energy Award

First awarded in 2023, the Rising Star in Energy Award is given to one or more person(s) in recognition of their outstanding contributions to EBA, CFEBA, and/or FELJ early in their careers. Recipients must have no more than 10 years of practice as an attorney/energy professional, have been a member of EBA for at least 2 years, must have demonstrated a substantial commitment to the practice of energy law through their work, in addition to a commitment to EBA, its mission, and its core values.

In 2024, the EBA recognized two Rising Stars in Energy: Andrew DeVore and Qingliu (Mary) Yang.

### Andrew DeVore

Andrew is an Immediate Past Co-Chair of the Professional Education Committee and, in this role, helped plan two EBA national conferences. He is active with his firm's training program for new associates, taking new and summer associates under his wing to help introduce them to energy law. His collegiality within and across firms and clients and his immersion in all facets of energy law (from FERC to DOE to legislative efforts) exemplify the spirit of EBA and the drive of an energy lawyer committed to the industry.

Andrew also ran a tutoring program at his prior firm, led its Associate Advisory Committee, and mentors numerous attorneys. His nominator remarked, "Andrew is an advocate for EBA through these events and behind the scenes - a cheerleader for what the organization does and for its programs."



**ANDREW DEVORE**

*Partner*  
**KIRKLAND & ELLIS**

### Qingliu (Mary) Yang

Mary is the current Chair of EBA's Young Lawyers Council (YLC) and has been very active in the council for years, planning several events targeting and engaging law students and new energy professionals. She is working to plan new programs and mentorship opportunities to further diversity and inclusion efforts within EBA, collaborating with other associations and resource groups to diversify the Young Lawyers Council's reach.

Mary has helped increase EBA's access to FERC Commissioners and helped secure their participation at EBA events. She serves as an international articles editor for FELJ's *Energy Law Journal*, helping to effectively translate the insights of international authors into law-review style articles. Mary has also been involved with writing energy sector reports for the Electricity Steering Committee, and assisting with law school outreach for potential new members.



**QINGLIU (MARY) YANG**

*Counsel*  
**WRIGHT & TALISMAN**



# A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION WITH A REGIONAL PRESENCE

## CANADIAN CHAPTER

EBA's Canadian Chapter holds programming events in Canada, but will also hold programming in the U.S., with a Canadian focus. Recent meeting sessions have explored the application and increasing importance of the Duty to Disclose and its implications for lawyers, regulators, utilities and market participants in North America.



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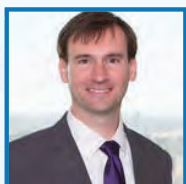
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EBA's Canadian Chapter held its second Law and Economics Forum in Toronto with a theme of "Does Climate Change Challenge Require New Perspectives?" Panels explored the need for improvements in data quality with respect to the energy transition, the transition to a low carbon economy, natural gas pipeline systems, and more.

## LOUISIANA CHAPTER

Covering the entire state of Louisiana, and its rich history of energy production, EBA's Louisiana Chapter caters to issues related to the gulf coast, the energy transition, and transmission.



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At its Annual Chapter meeting, expert panelists gathered to discuss the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo* decision. The seminar was broken into three sessions covering general observations, energy regulation and environmental aspects focused on permitting.



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## MIDWEST CHAPTER

The Midwest Chapter of the EBA covers the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. This chapter focuses on issues in energy regulation specific to the midwestern United States.



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Our Midwest Chapter's Annual Meeting featured remarks from Commissioner Marcus Hawkins of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. Attendees participated in an engaging panel discussion on the impacts of large load additions on the grid, followed by a practical, informative session on cybersecurity in the electric and natural gas industries. Midwest state liaisons reported on recent legal and regulatory updates within the Midwest region.

## NORTHEAST CHAPTER

EBA's Northeast Chapter covers the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont, as well as the District of Columbia. This chapter focuses on issues in energy regulation specific to the northeastern United States.



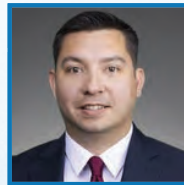
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Our Northeast Chapter's Annual Meeting featured FERC Commissioner Allison Clements as the keynote speaker. Commissioner Clements said EBA "is a really great bar association that [I'm] proud to be associated with." She also shared insights on recent FERC decisions, experiences from her role, reflections on energy industry policy hot topics, and her excitement in welcoming the newly confirmed FERC Commissioners.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

EBA's Rocky Mountain Chapter covers the states of Colorado, New Mexico, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming. This chapter focuses on issues in energy regulation specific to the rocky mountain region of the United States.



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The Rocky Mountain Chapter held a half-day CLE event in collaboration with the Colorado Solar and Storage Association's Solar Power and Energy Storage Mountain West Conference. Panel topics included ethics, renewable energy siting and development, utility-scale projects and PUC regulation.

## SOUTHERN CHAPTER

The Southern Chapter of the EBA covers the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. This chapter focuses on issues in energy regulation specific to the southeastern United States.



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EBA's Southern Chapter held its 2024 Annual Meeting in two locations, Richmond, VA, and Atlanta, GA. Panelists discussed how emerging technology, shifting human geography, and harsh weather conditions are placing heavy pressure on the southeastern grid. Southern representatives covered the importance of storm protection plans, especially in vulnerable areas like Florida, as well as grid hardening to enhance resilience, and using production cost modeling to better predict market changes.



## TEXAS CHAPTER

Covering the entire state of Texas, and its rich history of energy production, EBA's Texas Chapter caters to issues related to the gulf coast, the energy transition, ERCOT, resiliency, and so much more.



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This year's Texas Chapter Annual Symposium included keynote remarks from Michelle Michot Foss, Ph.D. (Fellow in Energy, Minerals, and Materials, Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy), and expert-led panel sessions covering hydrogen development, the oil pipeline index at FERC, ongoing developments in the Texas power market, and more.

## WESTERN CHAPTER

The Western Chapter of the EBA covers the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. This chapter focuses on issues in energy regulation specific to the western United States.



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EBA's Western Chapter Annual Meeting featured keynote remarks from Matthew Christiansen, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and a panel of Administrative Law Judges from western states kicked off the event. Nearly 100 attendees heard from four industry expert panels covering wildfire preparedness, offshore wind, corporate energy procurement, and the changing energy landscape.



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# EBA COMMITTEES & COUNCILS

## COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT STEERING COMMITTEE

Members of the Energy Bar Association whose legal practice, professional work experience, and intellectual pursuits focus on compliance with, and enforcement of, energy law and regulations are welcome to join.

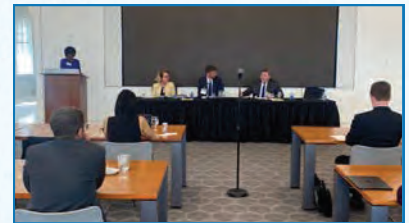


Chair  
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At their Enforcers & Defenders Forum, panels discussed current issues related to enforcement and compliance in the energy sector, with an interactive Q&A. This popular annual event helps share perspectives from regulators with enforcement responsibilities as well as attorneys who work with energy market participants on enforcement and compliance matters.



### Other Board Officers:

Karen Bruni, EBA Board Liaison  
Evan C. Reese, EBA Board Liaison

## ELECTRICITY STEERING COMMITTEE

Members of the Energy Bar Association whose legal practice, professional work experience, and intellectual pursuits are grounded in electricity are invited to join the Electricity Steering Committee.



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**Michael Blackwell**  
*Husch Blackwell LLP*



Vice Chair  
**Gillian R. Gianetti**  
*Natural Resources Defense Counsel*

The Electricity Steering Committee's Annual Half-Day Event featured keynote remarks from Gretchen Kershaw (Senior Advisor, Transmission, at DOE's Grid Deployment Office) with three expert-led panels examining FERC cost allocation decisions, wholesale electric markets, and non-ISO/RTO regions.



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## ENERGY INSECURITY STEERING COMMITTEE

EBA volunteers are working in collaboration with researchers from the Columbia University Center for Global Energy Policy, Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, and Energy, Equity, Housing and Health Lab at the Mailman School of Public Health to research issues related to energy insecurity.



Chair  
**Emma Hand**  
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## ENERGY PROFESSIONALS COUNCIL

The primary focus of the Energy Professionals Council is to promote increased collaboration among non-attorney energy professionals and energy attorneys.



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EBA's Gas, Oils & Liquids Steering Committee Annual Half-Day Event sessions covered ongoing developments in FERC's analysis of need for, and environmental issues surrounding, new natural gas facilities. Topics also included the challenges pipelines are facing in recovering increasing environmental and safety-related costs, the sources of these costs and pipelines' efforts to recover them.

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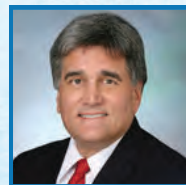
The committee's virtual energizer, "The Symbiotic Relationship Between AI and the Utility Industry" dove into the fascinating world of AI and its growing role in natural gas pipelines and electric utilities. As AI causes a large, unexpected spike in the use of natural gas and electricity, it's also changing the way pipelines and power lines operate and how we, as customers, interact with them. Panelists tackled the challenges of this ever-changing utility landscape and discussed how AI tools are being developed to ethically meet these demands.

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## SENIOR LAWYERS COUNCIL + MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Experienced members of the EBA who wish to connect with other experienced professionals to provide resources for new attorneys, professionals, and members looking for a career shift should join the Senior Lawyers Council. Serving as ambassadors for the EBA, members of the Council connect with students, young lawyers, and the Professional Educational Council to leverage their experiences and develop meaningful networking and educational opportunities.



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The Senior Lawyers Council, in collaboration with the Young Lawyers Council, hosted a Brown Bag Lunch on Interviewing Skills. Panelists discussed tips and tricks for acing interviews and conducted mock interviews with participants to provide more "game condition" interview techniques.

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The Professional Education Council (PEC) is responsible for planning and organizing the educational sessions at EBA's two yearly national meetings: The Annual Meeting & Conference and the Mid-Year Energy Forum.



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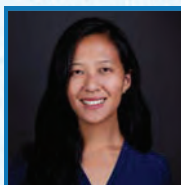
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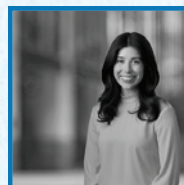
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## YOUNG LAWYERS COUNCIL

EBA's Young Lawyers Council (YLC) provides attorneys who have been practicing 8 years or less an opportunity to connect with likeminded young professionals and seasoned practitioners. Through this council, new energy law practitioners will develop lasting relationships.



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EBA's Young Lawyer Council invited students and young lawyers to attend a career chat with FERC Chairman Willie L. Phillips. Chairman Phillips discussed his energy law career path and offered advice for young attorneys on mentorship, the importance of diversity, and how to navigate the early stages of one's career.



The YLC hosted another successful Summer Intern Reception in Washington, D.C.! Attendees joined us in a toast to the summer interns setting out on their careers in energy law. This annual event gives young energy professionals the chance to connect with experienced EBA community members.

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## 2024 ENERGIZERS, COURSES & SPECIAL EVENTS

### **Energizers:**

- **Transmission and Market Developments in the Western Interconnection** (January 17)
- **Directing a More Reliable Bulk-Power System** (March 4)
- **Northeast Chapter Energizer: FERC Order 2023** (April 10)
- **Recent SCOTUS Cases and Energy Enforcement** (July 30)
- **Using ADR to Resolve Energy Industry Disputes** (September 30)
- **The Symbiotic Relationship Between AI and the Utility Industry** (November 8)
- **Post-Election Energy Landscape: What's Ahead – From the Lens of Capitol Hill, FERC, and Industry Stakeholders** (December 5)

### **Courses & Special Events:**

- **Energy Law Academy Course 104: Cost-of-Service Ratemaking** (January 29-30)
- **Young Lawyers Council: "A Day in the Life"** (April 25)
- **Co-Sponsored Event: FERC Ratemaking for the Pipeline Industry** (May 13)
- **Recent Developments in Resource Adequacy Market Design** (May 23)
- **Energy Law Academy Course 103: Federal Oil Pipeline Regulation** (May 29)
- **Ask Me Anything: A Career in Energy Law** (July 11)
- **2024 YLC Summer Intern Reception** (July 24)
- **Seminar on the Impacts of the US Supreme Court's Loper Bright Decision** (September 25)
- **Career Chat with FERC Chairman Phillips** (November 7)

# EBA NATIONAL CONFERENCES

## 2024 ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE

April 25-26, 2024 | Washington, D.C.



The theme of EBA's 2024 Annual Meeting & Conference was **"Toward the Horizon: Solving Tomorrow's Energy Challenges."** 500+ registrants attended this two-day event at The Marriott Marquis. EBA was excited to elect **Conor B. Ward as 2024-2025 EBA President**, and also elected new Board Officers and Board of Directors members during the Annual Meeting portion of the event.

General Sessions included "The Here and Now: Lessons from FERC Chairs of the Past," and "The State of LNG Markets and the Future of U.S. Gas and Export Facility Development." Concurrent sessions focused on current events in the energy law landscape, including regulatory considerations, technology shifts within power markets, the U.S. hydrogen industry, LNG markets, FERC rate cases, and more.

**FERC Commissioner, The Honorable Mark C. Christie**, provided keynote remarks during the conference, as well as **The Honorable David A. Wright, Commissioner of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission**. Luncheon remarks were made by special guest **Rishi Garg, Director for Clean Energy & Regulatory Innovation Lead, White House Counsel on Environmental Quality**.

Special events included CFEBA's Annual Charitable Gala, a Washington Nationals ballpark welcome event, In-House Counsel and Young Lawyers Council meet-ups, and a Closing Reception sponsored by Jenner & Block LLP.

## 2024 MID-YEAR ENERGY FORUM

October 17-18, 2024 | Washington, D.C.



The theme of EBA's 2024 Mid-Year Energy Forum was **"Redefining Energy Policy: Regulation, Innovation and Market Dynamics."** 400+ registrants attended this two-day event at The Westin Washington DC Downtown. The Forum began with keynote remarks from **Jesse Noffsinger (Partner, McKinsey & Company)**. Jesse presented on data highlighting the economics of renewables, the dramatic shifts in power demand since COVID years, and the demands from global data centers. A full day and a half of CLE Sessions followed, with topics ranging from landmark administrative law decisions, the natural gas industry, the FERC-State jurisdictional relationship, utility disconnection policy, and more.

**FERC Commissioner David Rosner** was joined onstage in a conversation with PEC Co-Chairs Tory Lauterbach (Gibson Dunn) and Joe Fagan (Day Pitney). Commissioner Rosner discussed his career path leading to his current role, and shared how being a former staffer gave him a clear, early perspective on how FERC functions. On Friday, we were joined by **FERC Commissioner Lindsay S. See**, who charted her "litigator to regulator" career path spanning from her time as a FERC legal clerk to her career as Solicitor General of West Virginia. She shared her perspective on the important work happening on the local and state levels and the importance of state voices in partnership with federal regulation. The Forum concluded on Friday with the annual Women in Energy Lunch, sponsored by McGuireWoods LLC. We were thrilled to welcome **Janel Burdick, Director, FERC Office of Enforcement** as our featured speaker alongside CFEBA 2024-2025 President Katlyn Farrell (Partner, McGuireWoods).



# CHARITABLE FOUNDATION OF THE ENERGY BAR ASSOCIATION (CFEBA)

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The Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association is a non-profit charitable organization formed in 2002 under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The mission of the Foundation is to engage in charitable activities, including the support of worthwhile energy-related charitable projects, as well as other community service projects, through financial contributions and volunteer services provided by the Foundation, members of the Energy Bar Association and others.

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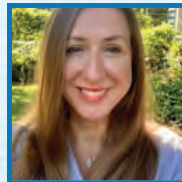
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# FOUNDATION EVENTS

## 2024 CFEBA ANNUAL FUNDRAISING GALA

April 25, 2024 | Washington, D.C.



### Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association's 2024 Gala Raises Over \$100k!

*An Elegant Evening Honoring the 2024 CFEBA Grant Recipients*

The **Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association's 2024 Gala** took place on the evening of Thursday, April 25, with the theme: “**Empower Tomorrow by Giving Today.**” Over 240 attendees were in attendance, and CFEBA raised over \$100,000 in this fundraising year!

During the event, we honored **Feeding Northeast Florida (FNEFL)**, the 2024 Cornerstone Grant recipient, and were excited to have their Grant Director, Kelly Brenner, onsite to present to attendees. She shared an impact video and discussed CFEBA's grant of \$50,000 to support the installation of solar electric infrastructure designed to reduce food bank utility costs and provide resiliency in the face of natural disasters. Attendees also heard remarks from **National Energy Education Development Project (NEED)** Executive Director Mary Spruill. The NEED Project works with energy companies, state and federal agencies, and other organizations to produce technology-neutral energy education programs for U.S. schools. We were glad to have Ms. Spruill there to share more about the passion behind the program, meet members, and discuss the grant's impact.

The availability of affordable energy is one of the world's critical issues impacting public health, safety and education. Statistics say there are approximately 1.3 billion people living in energy poverty around the world. CFEBA supports charitable projects that have an energy-related purpose and are focused on improving lives worldwide. Over the years, through the generous support of our members, CFEBA has funded approximately \$2 million in grants and donations to provide energy access to those most in need.

### 2024 CFEBA Grant Recipients

#### Feeding Northeast Florida

Feeding Northeast Florida (FNEFL) is a 501(c)3 charitable organization whose mission is to solve hunger in Northeast Florida. The large regional food bank serves hundreds of communities across 12 counties in Florida. FNEFL's solar energy project reflects a green initiative to lower food bank energy costs, enabling reallocation of funds to purchase additional food. The projected energy cost savings from this project will allow FNEFL to provide an additional 90,000 meals annually to those in need.



#### The NEED Project

The National Energy Education Development Project (NEED) produces curricula for students to learn how to design buildings to maximize energy efficiency, install solar panels, monitor wind turbine output, learn about oil and gas exploration in shale, explore transportation technologies, and more. NEED students are the future of the energy workforce and CFEBA was excited to support its education and workforce development efforts.



# FOUNDATION OF THE ENERGY LAW JOURNAL

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In 1980, William A. Mogel undertook to create a law journal to capture the breadth and depth of expertise available throughout the Federal Energy Bar Association and dubbed the new publication the *Energy Law Journal*. In 1986, the Foundation of the Energy Law Journal (FELJ) was created to manage the publication of the Journal.

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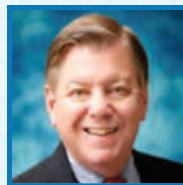
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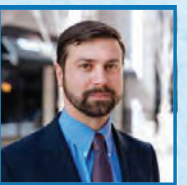
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## 2024 FELJ ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES RECEPTION October 17, 2024 | Washington, D.C.

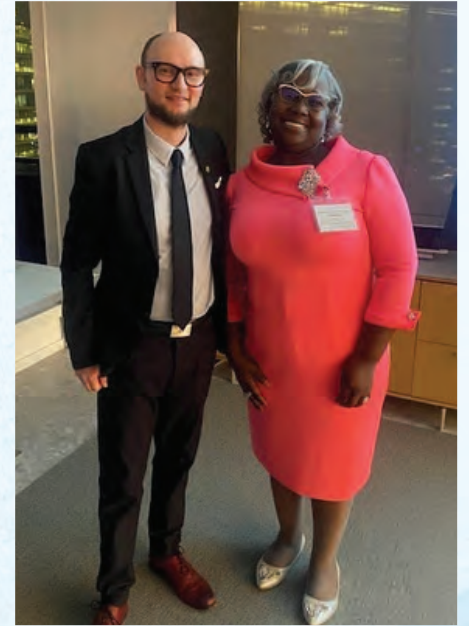


### FELJ Raises Over \$60,000 to Support the Publication of the Energy Law Journal

*Honorable Chief Judge Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. ALJ Reception*

Thank you to Baker Botts LLP for hosting this year's Honorable Chief Judge Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. ALJ Reception! The reception honors the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Administrative Law Judges and is sponsored by the **Foundation of the Energy Law Journal (FELJ)**. This annual reception is FELJ's primary fundraiser for the year and also provides attendees an opportunity to network with other Mid-Year Energy Forum attendees and ALJs in a casual environment after a full day of programs.

FELJ President Paul Breakman (Adtran) provided welcome remarks, thanked sponsors and attendees, and announced that over \$60,000 had been raised to support the publication of the *Energy Law Journal*. **Chief Administrative Law Judge Andrew Satten** introduced guest of honor Patricia Smith, sharing kind words and memories of Patricia's longtime career in the OALJ Front Office and her many positive professional relationships with past and present Administrative Law Judges!



### FELJ Author Talks

FELJ hosted two Author Talks with Energy Law Journal authors in 2024 where attendees were invited to learn more about each article and ask questions. Author talks included:

- **FERC, May I Now? Update on When FERC Authorization is Needed for Transfers of Public Utility Assets and Equity Interests in Public Utilities**
  - Authors Hugh E. Hilliard and Cailen Kateri Gamache discussed their article with Amery Poré, Director of Electric Power Regulation – West in FERC's office of Energy Market Regulation.
- **Adoption of Artificial Intelligence by Electric Utilities** and **How AI Tools Can Help Diagnose Market Dynamics and Curb Market Power Abuse as the Nation's Power Supply Transitions to Renewable Resources**
  - Authors Dr. Liang Min, Alexandre Parisot, Daniel Slate and Eugene Lee discussed their articles.

### The Energy Law Journal Celebrated its 44th Anniversary in 2024

Published by The Energy Bar Association and University of Tulsa College of Law, the *Energy Law Journal* has become a preeminent energy publication, providing thought-provoking and deeply researched articles by practitioners, internationally known academics, Federal Judges, high ranking government officials and members of FERC. The *Journal* often has been cited by Federal and State Courts and agencies, law review articles and journals, energy industry speakers and FERC. The *Journal* maintains a list of court opinions and other published legal materials citing articles appearing in the *Journal*.

This year, FELJ released two editions of the *Energy Law Journal*: Volume 45.1 and 45.2. View current editions and past issues on FELJ's website: <https://www.eba-net.org/felj/energy-law-journal/>

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