

# Valerie L. Green

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# **OVERVIEW**

With nearly 20 years of experience, Valerie Green is a seasoned Energy attorney who focuses her practice on regulatory matters relating to electricity, natural gas, and renewable energy, and on litigation relating to those matters. She has extensive experience handling a wide range of matters involving the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and other administrative agencies. Valerie is a strong advocate for her clients and leverages her deep understanding of the regulatory process to help achieve desired outcomes.

Valerie navigates the complexities of Independent System Operator and Regional Transmission Organization (ISO/RTO) tariffs and operating rules, including assisting clients with electric transmission and generator interconnection issues. She advises clients on a wide range of issues involving the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act, the Natural Gas Act, the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, and FERC's implementing regulations. She offers advice on pipeline rate and tariff issues to natural gas pipeline customers, and supports natural gas producers, gathering entities, and intra- and interstate pipelines with issues arising out of the regulatory regimes overseen by FERC and Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA).

Valerie is a trusted client adviser on regulatory compliance and enforcement, offering training, compliance audits, and providing counsel on emerging cybersecurity concerns. Valerie has a track record of representing clients in audits and investigations conducted by FERC, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), and regional reliability organizations.

In audit or investigation scenarios, Valerie aids in data collection and review, conducts employee interviews, handles depositions, and, when necessary, prepares self-reports and negotiates settlements for alleged violations. Her litigation background spans various industries, including energy, construction, employment, insurance, mortgage lending, and products liability cases, benefiting both defendants and plaintiffs.

# **EXPERIENCE**

## Prior results do not guarantee a similar outcome.

Serves, since 2015, as natural gas regulatory counsel for the Xcel Energy operating companies in interstate natural gas pipeline, storage, and other regulatory proceedings before FERC

Advises an energy trading subsidiary of large multinational clean energy company regarding compliance with the market rules in the FERC-jurisdictional ISO/RTO markets, ERCOT, and two Canadian markets, including developing detailed compliance manuals for each market

Conducts federal regulatory due diligence for transactions involving the sale and acquisition of wind and solar generation assets, including, where necessary, applying for approval from FERC under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act

Obtains market-based rate authority for clients engaging in the wholesale sale of electric energy and capacity and handles regulatory applications for the owners of generation assets that meet the definitions of Qualifying Facilities and Exempt Wholesale Generators

Counsels natural gas exploration and production companies regarding federal and state regulatory obligations, including new PHMSA rules, associated with the development of new gas gathering lines

Provides regular trainings to clients regarding FERC's Standards of Conduct, natural gas capacity release rules, energy market rules, and compliance with certain mandatory reliability standards promulgated by NERC

Defends clients in investigations by FERC's Office of Enforcement

Assisted a merchant transmission developer with interconnection and membership issues in the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. region

Advised a natural gas company regarding compliance with multiple rounds of information disclosures regarding pipeline asset cybersecurity measures required by the 2021 security directive issued by the Transportation Safety Administration

Conducted an in-depth audit of an energy trading company's compliance and risk management program, including multiple employee interviews, resulting in a major overhaul of the company's practices and materials

Represented the U.S. subsidiary of an energy marketer based in Europe with its application for FERC market-based rate authority, provided advice regarding becoming a FERC-jurisdictional entity, and obtained electric energy export authority from the U.S. Department of Energy

# **INDUSTRIES**

**ENERGY AND UTILITIES** 

**ENERGY LITIGATION** 

**ENERGY REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE** 

#### **NATURAL GAS**

#### **RENEWABLE ENERGY**

# **INSIGHTS**

# DECODING A POST-CHEVRON WORLD: THE FUTURE OF FEDERAL AGENCY AUTHORITY

Panelist, February 29, 2024, Webinar hosted by Day Pitney

#### FERC ACTIONS SIGNAL CONCERN OVER INVESTORS' UTILITY STAKES

Co-author, January 18, 2024, *Law360* 

# FERC ISSUES NOTICE OF INQUIRY ON BLANKET AUTHORIZATIONS FOR INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Co-author, December 22, 2023, Day Pitney Alert

# MEETING THE NEED FOR NEW TRANSMISSION: ARE WE KEEPING PACE?

Moderator, September 21, 2022, RE+

#### CYBERSECURITY ISSUES FOR PIPELINE ASSET OWNERS

Moderator, January 25, 2022, Energy Bar Association, Oil, Gas, Liquids Steering Committee

# **NEWS**

# CHAMBERS GLOBAL 2024 RANKS DAY PITNEY'S ENERGY PRACTICE GROUP AND ATTORNEYS

Featured, February 23, 2024, Day Pitney Press Release

#### THE DAILY DOCKET INDUSTRY MOVES

Featured, October 13, 2023, Thomson Reuters' The Daily Docket

### DAY PITNEY BRINGS ON ENERGY ATTY WITH REGULATORY FOCUS

Featured, October 11, 2023, Law360

# DAY PITNEY BOOSTS ENERGY TEAM WITH WASHINGTON, D.C. PARTNER VALERIE GREEN

Featured, October 9, 2023, Day Pitney Press Release

### **EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS**

#### **EDUCATION**

University of California College of the Law, San Francisco, J.D., 2006

University of North Carolina, B.A., 1994

#### **ADMISSIONS**

District of Columbia
State of California

### **AFFILIATIONS**

American Bar Association Energy Bar Association Women's Energy Network

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Selected to the list of Washington, D.C. *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars (Thomson Reuters), Energy and Natural Resources, 2014-2016

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