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About Hannah

Hannah Zapfe is a senior associate in the Energy & Natural Resources Practice in the Washington DC office. Hannah focuses her practice on infrastructure project development, project finance transactions for renewable energy projects, mergers and acquisitions and various other corporate transactions primarily in the energy and infrastructure sectors.

In the energy sector, Hannah has represented project developers and equipment suppliers with respect to purchase and supply agreements, engineering, procurement and construction agreements, power purchase and other off-take agreements, as well as operation and maintenance agreements, mergers and acquisitions agreements and related corporate documents. She has also advised borrowers and sponsors in connection with secured and back-levered project financings of renewable energy projects and portfolios, including with respect to credit agreements, security documents and other financing documents.

While in law school, Hannah was a staff member of the Catholic University Law Review. She served as a Certified Student Attorney at the Columbus Community Legal Services, working with the Advocacy for the Elderly Clinic. Hannah also worked as a judicial intern for the Honorable Andrea Leahy at the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, as well as a legal intern at the New Orleans Public Defenders Office. Throughout her final year of school, she worked as a law clerk for Squire Patton Boggs as part of the Energy & Natural Resources Practice.

Experience

- Representing a US-based energy storage technology platform and solution provider with respect to negotiating and drafting supply agreements, long term services agreements, subcontracts and vendor agreements in connection with the supply, operation and maintenance of various battery storage projects throughout the US.
- Representing the developer and Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contractor in the development, construction and sale of a 600 MW wind turbine generator power plant located in Wyoming.
- Representing the developer and EPC contractor in the development, construction and sale of a 200.22 MW wind turbine generator power plant located in Indiana.

- Advising a global pharmaceutical company in the dual tranche offering of US\$1 billion in senior secured and unsecured notes due 2034, issued pursuant to Rule 144A and Regulation S. The transaction was conducted concurrently with amendments to the company's existing credit facilities, including a US\$300 million increase to its revolving credit facility.
- Representing a large US energy company, and its various portfolio and project companies, in connection with project and back-leveraged financings in respect of portfolios containing utility-scale solar, wind and battery projects.
- Representing a developer of military housing Private Public Partnership (P3) projects in negotiating municipal services and utility support agreements at multiple military installations.
- Representing a developer of military housing P3 projects in negotiating energy services agreements in connection with large-scale renovation projects to improve the energy performance of homes at multiple military installations.
- Representing a large Chinese solar power firm in connection with its initial public offering, which is believed to be the first renewable energy company to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.
- Representing a leading global provider of comprehensive photovoltaic (PV) solar systems on the sale of a 200 MW AC solar power plant.
- Representing the same leading global provider of PV solar systems with respect to negotiating and drafting engineering, procurement and construction agreements and supply agreements, as well as advised on the sale of a 100 MW AC solar power plant.
- Representing a large US-based solar power company in connection with the development, acquisition, sale, operation and maintenance of various solar power and battery storage projects throughout the US.
- Representing a global investment fund in two venture capital investments in the retail industry.

Credentials

Education

- Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2018
- University of Maryland at College Park, M.M., 2015
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, B.M., 2012

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 2019

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member, DC Bar Association

Expertise

Services

- Corporate

Industries

- Energy & Natural Resources

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