

## **EBA Committees and Councils - Charters**

### **Electricity Steering Committee Charter**

The Electricity Steering Committee leads EBA member volunteers in preparing and delivering informational and educational content relevant to the electric industry. Steering Committee Officers are leaders in a diverse array of electric industry sectors and practice areas that impact the electric industry, such as power generation and marketing; renewable energy; hydropower; system reliability, planning and security; demand resources and smart grid; environment; and ratemaking.

### **Gas, Oil & Liquids Steering Committee Charter**

The Gas, Oil & Liquids Steering Committee leads EBA member volunteers in preparing and delivering informational and educational content relevant to the oil and gas industry. Steering Committee Officers are leaders in a diverse array of oil and gas industry sectors and practice areas that impact the oil and gas industry, such as gas, oil and liquids pipeline transportation; liquified natural gas (LNG); environment; pipeline safety; and ratemaking.

### **Practices Steering Committee Charter**

The Practices Steering Committee leads EBA member volunteers in preparing and delivering informational and educational content relevant to energy practitioners who practice before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and/or state utility commissions. The Practices Steering Committee also leads development of content regarding legislative developments at the federal and state levels that are important to the energy industry. Steering Committee Officers are accomplished lobbyists and leading practitioners before FERC and state commissions.

### **Finance, Transactions & Investment Steering Committee Charter**

The Finance, Transactions & Investment Steering Committee leads EBA member volunteers in preparing and delivering informational and educational content regarding key trends in domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, financing, and commercial transactions involving the energy industry. The Finance, Transactions & Investment Steering Committee also leads development of content relating to developments in international law relating to energy. Steering Committee Officers are accomplished practitioners in international law, commercial transactions, finance and M&A.

### **Disputes & Resolution Steering Committee Charter**

The Disputes & Resolution Steering Committee leads EBA member volunteers in preparing and delivering informational and educational content relevant to alternative

dispute resolution (ADR) and consensus building; hearing and settlement practice before FERC and state utility commissions; and compliance with and enforcement of energy laws and regulations. Steering Committee Officers are leading practitioners in ADR, commission hearing/settlement practice, and enforcement.

### **Energy Professional Council (EPC) Charter**

The charter of the Energy Professionals Council (EPC) consists of these elements: First, the members of the EPC will provide an organized forum for EPs to promote increased collaboration among EPs and enhance EP participation in EBA programs. The EPC will promote such interactions to benefit Energy Attorneys (EAs), EPs, and the constituencies they serve. Second, members of the EPC will promote the partnership between EPs and EAs, as both need to understand the legal, financial, market and technology changes taking place in the energy field markets to better serve their clients. Through active participation in the EBA, EPs will understand better the situations in which legal advice is necessary to resolve matters before FERC, state commissions and the courts. Through their EBA contacts, EPs will also be able to bring the right attorneys to their client assignments, so that EAs can derive additional value from their EBA membership. In addition, with more EPs in the EBA, EAs will be more aware of, and have appreciation for, EP perspectives. This will benefit EAs by connecting them with EPs they can utilize as expert witnesses; to serve as market/financial advisors; and for consulting assignments, negotiations and more as their clients require. The EPC will promote this complementarity of interests through increasing EP engagement with EAs to enhance the value that all EBA members derive from their membership in the organization. Third, the EPC will conduct outreach to engage more EPs in the EBA. The EPC will work to bring in more EP perspectives, and to grow the ranks of the EPs in the EBA.

### **In-House Counsel Coalition (IHC) Charter**

The In-House Counsel Council is a platform through which in-house counsel work to serve the common interests of this group on an ongoing basis. For example, the ICC could consider putting on programming that would specifically appeal to in-house counsel, including perhaps a stand-alone program outside of DC; it could consider creating a database of resources that in-house counsel would find useful; it could host networking events for in-house counsel to network with one another, FERC staff and other energy professionals.

### **Masters Council Charter**

Engaging in the mentor/mentee program as a resource to members of • the Young Lawyers Council and others • Serving as a resource to EBA members who are undergoing career transitions and want advice and feedback, provided in confidence, about potential career options • Serving as a resource to the Professional Education

Council, particularly as concerns leveraging contacts and relationships to attract influential keynote speakers and panelists • Serving as ambassadors for the EBA in the energy industry and legal • industry

### **Professional Education Council (PEC) Charter**

The Professional Education Council (formerly known as the Program Committee) plans and organizes educational programming for the Association. Two meetings per year are held in Washington, D.C.: the Annual Meeting in the Spring, which has been held annually for over 55 years; and the Mid-Year Meeting, which is held in the Fall. Both meetings have a long tradition of superb speakers on topics of general and legal interest to energy attorneys and non-attorney professionals. In addition, the Council supports the regional chapters and members across the country in their sponsorship of regional meetings. With Board approval, the Council may also develop special programs as circumstances warrant.

### **Young Lawyers Council (YLC) Charter**

The YLC is open to attorneys who have been practicing 8 years or less. The purpose of the YLC is two-fold. First, the members of the YLC seek to educate themselves and others in the practice of energy law. Toward this end, the YLC will call upon the knowledge and experience of seasoned practitioners, FERC and other government officials, and young lawyers themselves. The YLC will also sponsor a variety of programs aimed at educating law students as to the opportunities and rewards of careers in energy law. Second, the YLC seeks to encourage cordial relationships among newer energy law practitioners such that YLC members may begin to develop the lasting relationships which promote the mutual trust and professionalism important to effective representation. In these ways, the YLC will help newer lawyers mature into the experienced practitioners who are the future of the bar and of the Association.