



2015-2016 Annual Report



EBA President's Message

EBA is healthy, vibrant and growing.

With a foundation built upon the strategic plan adopted by the EBA Board several years ago and then strengthened by subsequent EBA presidents, there was a clear path to achieve much this year. Indeed, much has been achieved, but achievements are not self-executing. They result from the hard work of the EBA Board (and CFEBA and FELJ Boards), the EBA committees, the EBA professional staff and – most importantly -- you. Nothing can be achieved without your active engagement and support.



Richard Meyer
EBA President

As a result of your hard work, membership is now increasing at a precedent setting pace. There are more new student members than at any other time in recent memory. The Charitable Foundation is having its most financially successful year since its inception, is having its first sit-down dinner gala, and is arguably taking on its most ambitious charitable project ever: bringing electricity to those who have never had it before. Your association is also now at the forefront of examining how energy law is taught in law schools and elsewhere. There have been more than 50 EBA events this year. Our financial corpus is strong.

You should receive many laurels for your energy and commitment, but laurels cannot be rested upon. With this Annual Report and meeting, a new “EBA year” is set to begin. There will be many opportunities. Seek out those opportunities within EBA (and the FELJ and CFEBA) to make a difference. Populate committees, provide programming ideas, volunteer your firm’s meeting space for an EBA event and financially sponsor EBA programs. You will make a difference and together we will reach new heights.

Respectfully,

Richard Meyer
EBA President

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About EBA

The **Energy Bar Association (EBA)** is an international, non-profit association of attorneys, energy professionals and students active in all areas of energy law. The EBA promotes the professional excellence and ethical integrity of its members in the practice, administration, and development of energy laws, regulations and policies. The EBA provides superior educational programming, networking opportunities, and information resources.

EBA Core Values

The Energy Bar Association remains committed to fiscal responsibility, ethical decision-making, subject matter excellence, valuable high quality programming, reliable communications, and continuous consideration of our members current and anticipated needs.

EBA is inclusive and collegial through its dedication to the value of diverse perspectives, dedication to providing opportunities for learning and community in a position neutral organization, and appreciation of personal and business connections that enhance our members' professional lives.



From the EBA Executive Director

To promote professional excellence in the practice of energy law.

As the 2015-16 EBA bar year comes to a close, it is a wonderful time to reflect on successes and challenges of the past year and look to the future. Outgoing president Rich Meyer stated in his letter to the membership that EBA witnesses an unprecedented year in membership recruitment. This was in no small part due to Rich's determination and the enthusiasm and engagement of 175 recruiters. On behalf of EBA, we thank each of you for inviting others to join the EBA community.

And to our new members, we are thrilled to have you as part of EBA and we encourage you to take full advantage of every aspect of EBA offerings.

To that end, EBA had a banner year of offerings and benefits to the membership, most of which you will read about in this Annual Report. In 2015-2016, we rolled out our On-Demand Program library of more than 20 sessions, most approved for CLE, which members can purchase and listen to at times convenient to their schedule. The On-Demand Programs catalog includes many of EBA's Primer programs, which are excellent learning tools to onboard new attorneys and energy professionals. The On-Demand offerings also include timely topics necessary to keep you up-to-date on industry issues. If you have not yet visited our On-Demand library, I invite you to take a look now, at www.eba-net.org/on-demand.

Because membership satisfaction is our #1 priority, the EBA Board engaged an outside consulting firm to assess our members' current satisfaction and seek ideas for new or improved benefits to enhance your membership value. We thank you for participating in the phone and/or online survey and we appreciate your feedback. The Board is now positioned to use the survey responses to inform our upcoming strategic plan and present you with the best services possible. We look forward to keeping the membership up-to-date on the survey findings and Board decisions for enhancement as we move into the next board year.

And finally, because you are our greatest asset, we invite you to engage in EBA. Our committees, councils and chapters are currently seeking your involvement. To enhance the overall benefits of membership, it is critical for all members to engage with EBA, whether you are in Tulsa, OK, Seattle, WA or New York City, your opinions matter and your participation is needed. Please consider volunteering with EBA today. I promise that what you receive in networking, camaraderie and increased industry knowledge will overshadow the time you give.

Congratulations on a successful 2015-16 and here's to looking forward, with enthusiasm, to the 2016-17 bar year and new programming.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Levine, CAE
Executive Director



Lisa A. Levine, CAE,
EBA Executive
Director



Energy Bar Association

In the 2015-2016 board year, the EBA continued to implement the four goals of its strategic plan: educational programming, networking opportunities, information resources and membership growth.

EBA Mission Statement

The mission of EBA is to promote the professional excellence and ethical integrity of its members in the practice, administration, and development of energy laws, regulations and policies by providing:

- Superior educational programming;
- Information resources;
- Networking opportunities;
- Membership growth.

Educational Programming

EBA's goal is that members will achieve and maintain professional excellence through subject matter expertise, ethical behavior and leadership in the energy industry.



In the 2015-2016 board year, EBA welcomed more than 3,600 participants to more than 50 networking and educational programs, EBA Energizers, annual meetings for regional chapters, networking events and receptions, and the Annual and Mid-Year Meetings. These events continue the tradition of thought-provoking programs and discussions, guided by the EBA members.



During the year, EBA held **Primer Series** events on *Energy Trading, Environmental Law and Electricity and Electric*

Rate Regulation - An Introduction. Several of the Primer Series programs are available within our On-Demand Library. The Primer Series was created to further EBA's mission to promote excellence in the practice of educational law by enhancing programming opportunities. Each event offers two-days of core regulatory and legal concepts exposure and basic industry fundamentals



that every energy law practitioner must understand. The overall goal of the series is to provide attorneys new to a specific area of energy law with a foundational understanding of the industry and how it is organized and regulated, so they can better approach, research, and evaluate the issues their clients face.

Information Resources

EBA strives to provide members with the useful, relevant and timely information that matters to their professional development and awareness of critical issues affecting energy law. To meet the needs of members and diversify its content offering, EBA launched an **On-Demand Programs** series to extend the convenience and opportunity to take advantage of traditional, in-person meetings anytime, from anywhere. In collaboration with WestLegalEd Center, over 20 EBA programs are now available in the EBA On-Demand library, and many more are planned for 2016-2017. The full library is online at www.eba-net.org/education/on-demand-programs.

Included in membership is a subscription to the **Energy Law Journal**, the preeminent law review, with both practitioner and student editorial boards. The *Journal* is focused on current energy concerns, and



includes annual committee reports surveying all developments in numerous areas of energy law. Published twice a year, it has

close to 3,000 subscribers in the United States and 15 foreign countries, including Canada, England, Brazil, Argentina, Germany, Austria, France, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, Scotland, Singapore, Nigeria, Greece, and Turkey.

Members can also access the complete directory of EBA members through the print and online **Membership Directory**. Released every summer, the Directory is the best way to connect with colleagues in the energy law arena, including industry professionals, attorneys and firms specializing in energy and transactional law. The online Directory is real-time and always up-to-date, with functionality to allow members to search by name, organization, area of practice and geographical area. Visit the Membership Directory at www.eba-net.org/MyEBA.



Career development opportunities are a critical resource to firms looking to hire, those just entering the workforce and seasoned professionals interested in a career transition specific to their field. This year, EBA members accessed new opportunities through EBA's free, member-only online **Job Bank**. Recognizing the unique networking needs of students and recent graduates, the **Young Lawyers Council (YLC)** hosted multiple educational and social events specifically for students and recent graduates, including the Seventh Annual Summer Intern Reception with over 70 attendees, and a pre-conference reception attended by over 60 students and executives from DC-area law firms.

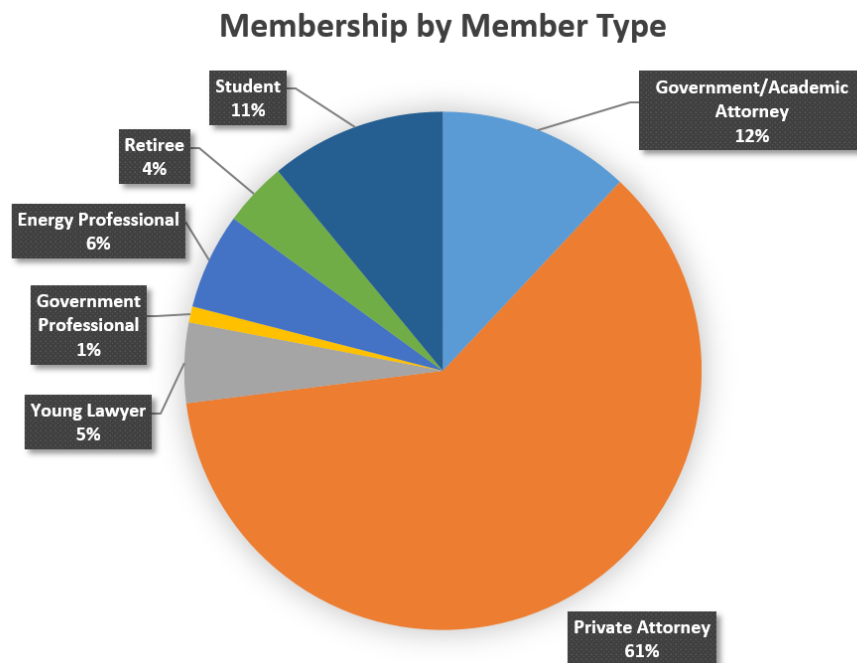


Bob Gee (L) and FERC Chairman Norman Bay at co-sponsored Asian Americans in Energy program and reception on May 5, 2016.

Members also received the latest industry news updates and announcements for EBA upcoming events and recently released content through the weekly **EBA Insights** e-Newsletter. This online-only resource, coupled with the quarterly **EBA Update** newsletter, provides members with a 360-degree view of recent developments and in-depth discussion through exclusive interviews with leaders in the energy and transactional law spaces. Both members and non-members can find the latest industry news and EBA updates by connecting on the **Energy Bar Association LinkedIn** page, at www.linkedin.com/company/energy-bar-association.

Networking Opportunities

During the 2015-2016 board year, EBA members had access to 17 member committees, three councils, one task force and approximately one event per week nationwide. These educational and networking events provide timely updates on legal and policy issues facing the energy industry, updates and introductions to advanced level programs and offer a rich dialogue and diverse perspectives from EBA members across the US and Canada.

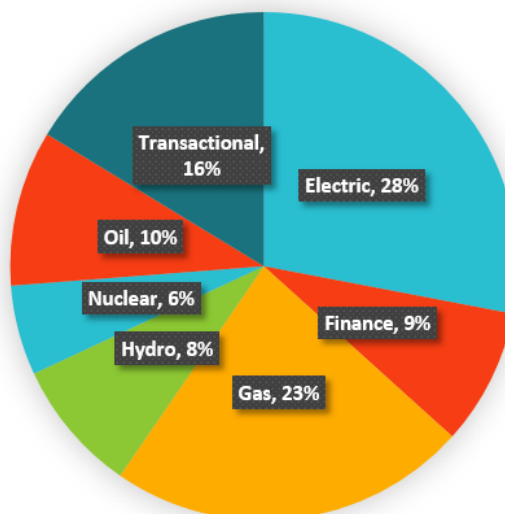


An important part of the success of the Energy Bar Association has always been its member interaction and networking opportunities. EBA members come from various backgrounds and practice in all areas of

energy law. Private attorneys make up the majority (68%) of the EBA membership, followed by government and academic attorneys (13%), young lawyers (5%) and non-attorney energy professionals (6%).

The largest area of practice for EBA members relates to electric (28%) and natural gas (23%) industries, with those identifying themselves as transactional lawyers (16%) rounding out the top three. The oil (10%), finance (9%), hydro (8%), and nuclear (6%) industries are also represented with EBA members.

Members by Field of Practice



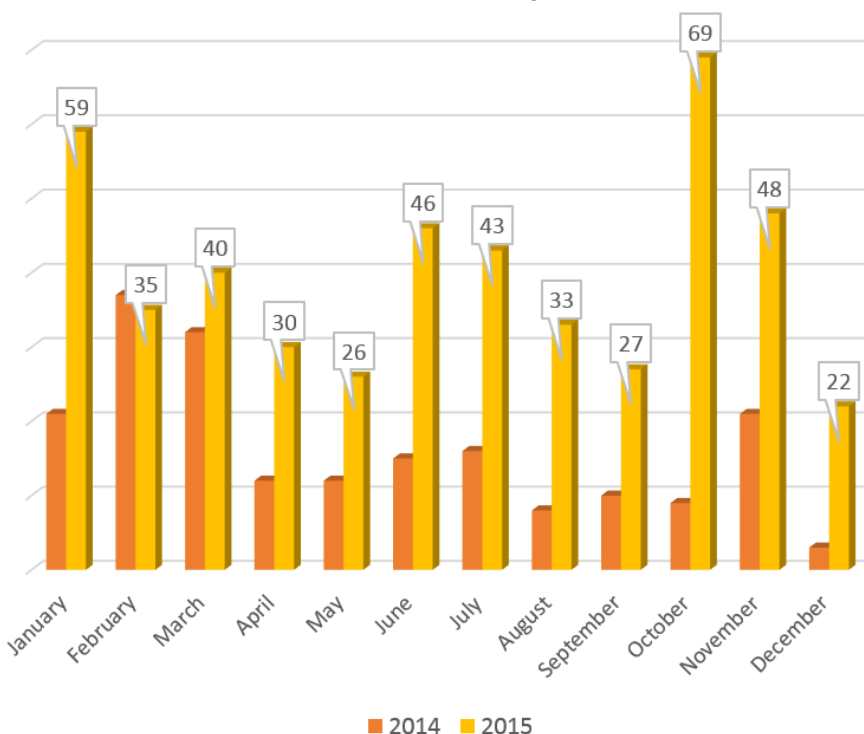
Membership Growth: Reaching New Heights

EBA Ambassador 'Each One – Reach One' Campaign

EBA member values the information and connections they have made through the association, and this year, we have challenged all members to recruit members. The EBA Ambassador *Each One Reach One* campaign was successful in recruiting 504 new members between May 2015 and April 2016, truly bringing EBA's stretch goal of 500 new members by the close of the board year to life. These numbers represent a 48% increase in member recruitment over the same period between 2014 and 2015. Over 175 members sprang into action to help realize this achievement. A special thanks to our top recruiters:

Richard Meyer, recruited 17
Daniel Pancamo, recruited 16
Dana Shelton, recruited 14
Adrienne Clair, recruited 13
Michael Stosser, recruited 13
Vicki Baldwin, recruited 12
Crystal McDonough, recruited 11

New Member Acquisition



2015-2016 Awards Recipients

Each year, the Energy Bar Association presents two awards to recognize and honor individuals that have made significant accomplishments or demonstrated recognized leadership in the energy legal area. These award-winning individuals inspire and challenge colleagues and students to contribute to the profession's knowledge base, and extend their work beyond the borders of their practice.

Paul E. Nordstrom Service Award



A. Karen Hill

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

This year's award was presented posthumously to Karen Hill. Karen's career spanned over 30 years in the energy industry, from FERC and private practice, to her retirement from

Exelon in 2012. Throughout her career, Karen was a contributing member of the EBA; serving on the Boards of the EBA, the Charitable Foundation, and the Foundation of the *Energy Law Journal*. During that time, Karen also served on the Boards of several community organizations. One of Karen's longest-standing charitable commitments was to My Sister's Place, a shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence where she served as a Board member for several years. Karen facilitated a grant by the CFEBA to My Sister's Place in the amount of \$95,000. It was the largest single grant ever made by the CFEBA, and was used to fund a high efficiency HVAC system for the shelter's new home. The award was presented to Karen's family at the CFEBA Reception in November, 2015.



From left: Richard Meyer, Karen's daughter, Caryn Dashukewich and Michael Stosser

State Regulatory Practitioner Award



Stephen H. Watts

The **State Regulatory Practitioner Award** recognizes innovation and superior advocacy by members of the state utility regulatory bar. The award is consistent with the committee's goal to be a resource to lawyers who focus their practice on state energy regulatory matters. Recipients of the State Regulatory Practitioner Award must satisfy the following criteria: 1) State representation is a predominant part of the recipient's total practice; 2) State practice and participation in the state energy regulatory process has produced significant results or recognition; 3)

State practice reflects enhanced professional competence of the practice of energy law; and 4) Member of the Energy Bar Association.

This year's recipient is Stephen H. Watts, Partner, McGuireWoods LLP. With more than 40 years of practice, Stephen has focused almost exclusively on the regulation of utilities, both gas and electric – primarily at the state level, but with a keen eye toward the interplay between state and federal regulations. The award was presented at the 2015 Mid-Year Meeting & Conference.



From left: Richard Meyer and Stephen H. Watts



EBA Chapters

EBA has seven chapters for members to become affiliated with. Involvement within an EBA chapter offers you the opportunity to enjoy valuable networking and local educational events, engage in chapter-level committees and participate in leadership activities.

Engagement on the local level is complemented by regional and national activities focused on professional development.

Chapter membership is open and free to all EBA members. Find out more by calling (202) 223-5625.



Houston Chapter

The Houston Chapter had a productive year, hosting a number of events in 2015-2016 board year.

In September 2015, the Houston Chapter presented a luncheon CLE on *Recent Energy Regulatory Developments in Texas*. Barry Smitherman, former Chairman of both the Railroad Commission of Texas and the Public Utilities Commission of Texas, discussed recent developments at both agencies arising from (1) the recent dramatic increase in oil and gas production in Texas, (2) the change in the ERCOT fuel mix, and (3) possible implications of EPA's Clean Power Plan.

The EBA Primer series presented *Energy Trading* in Houston in December 2015. The program on energy trading and market demand in the natural gas, oil and electricity sectors provided an introduction to energy products and the markets on which they are traded. The Houston Chapter hosted a Networking Reception in connection with the Primer.



EBA members get to know Commissioner Honorable at the Houston Chapter Luncheon this year.

The Houston Chapter hosted a January 2016 luncheon where EBA members and guests were invited to *Meet Commissioner Honorable*. EBA members and guests were treated to a first-hand account of the Commissioner's insights regarding pertinent energy regulatory issues facing the Commission and practitioners today. Attendees were able to ask questions of the Commissioner and network with colleagues over lunch.

2015-2016 Houston Chapter Officers

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Midwest Chapter

Includes IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD & WI

The Midwest Chapter marked its 19-year anniversary with its Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana on March 7-8, 2016. The meeting, entitled *Energy Industry in Transition*, addressed a variety of issues important to Midwest energy practitioners including pipeline safety management; energy



EBA members enjoy lively welcome reception at Midwest Chapter Annual Meeting.

trading in organized energy markets; industry changes affecting electric distribution utilities; and an update regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan. The conference attracted a diverse crowd of regulators, industry, law firms, environmental firms and consultants. Numerous sponsors graciously and generously supported the conference and the reception, and provided an exceptional learning and social atmosphere to those who attended. Commissioner Colette D. Honorable of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission gave the welcome address at the Annual Meeting on March 8. In addition, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. hosted a brief panel discussion and a control room tour in Carmel, Indiana on March 7. Finally, a Charitable Foundation raffle was held during the evening networking reception on March 7, 2016.

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From left: Former Midwest Chapter President Amanda James and Commissioner Honorable.

In Spring 2016, the Midwest Chapter also hosted an informal networking happy hour in Chicago, Illinois, which proved to be a great opportunity to “mix and mingle” in an informal setting with fellow EBA members.

The Midwest Chapter is looking forward to holding its 20th Annual Meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in March 2017. In addition, the Chapter hopes to hold a smaller event in the late summer or Early Fall 2016, with details to follow.

2015-2016 Midwest Chapter Officers

President	Vice President	Secretary/Treasurer
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Freddi L. Greenberg	David D. Streicker	

New Orleans Chapter

Serving Louisiana

The New Orleans Chapter Serving Louisiana had a productive 2015-2016, both expanding its membership and conducting programs that were well-received by the Chapter membership and other participants in those programs. With respect to our recruiting efforts, Chapter membership in close to 60 members. Membership now includes: private practitioners; in-house counsel; academics; and law students. The chapter has made significant strides in revitalizing itself, and continues to work towards our objective of growing the Chapter as a Louisiana chapter.

On October 22, 2015, the Chapter held a “Careers in Energy Law” program at Louisiana State University (LSU) Law School in Baton Rouge, LA. The program was conducted in collaboration with LSU Law School’s Energy Law Center. Our panelists included Brandon Frey, Louisiana Public Service Commission Executive Counsel; Mark Pearce, Cleco Power General Counsel; Nick Pascale, NRECA Assistant General Counsel; John Schwartzenburg, Partner, Jackson Walker LLP; and Chapter President Dan Pancamo, Counsel, Phelps Dunbar, LLP. We had a good turnout of law students, who actively engaged with our panelists during and after the program, and



New Orleans Chapter presents “Careers in Energy Law” at Louisiana State University Law School.



EBA Energizer, “Saving Louisiana’s Coastline and Protecting Critical Energy Infrastructure”

many of them subsequently joined the Chapter as student members. The program was sponsored by the New Orleans law firms Phelps Dunbar and Stone Pigman.

In the following week, Chapter Vice President Dana Shelton, Partner, Stone Pigman, spoke to law students at Tulane Law School in New Orleans. As a result of the program at LSU Law School and Dana's presentation at Tulane Law School, the Chapter recruited over 30 student members. The Chapter will continue its law student outreach at the LSU and Tulane Law Schools, and the Chapter additionally is evaluating possible programming at Loyola Law School in New Orleans.



Louisiana PSC Commissioner Eric Skrmetta, Chapter Vice President Dana Shelton, New Orleans EBA Chapter President Daniel T. Pancamo

In addition to law student outreach, the Chapter is continuing its recruiting efforts with energy professionals in Louisiana. On December 17, 2015, Dana Shelton addressed members of the Louisiana State Bar Association Public Utility Section about the benefits of EBA membership. Dana's efforts led to the recruitment of several new members. The Chapter's ongoing recruiting efforts will extend both to prospective new members, as well as former Chapter members who are not currently active.

Most recently, on April 8, 2016 the Chapter held an EBA Energizer CLE program, "Saving Louisiana's Coastline and Protecting Critical Energy Infrastructure". Our panelists included Chuck Perrodin, Public Information Director for the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority; Chip Kline, Deputy Director for the Governor's Office of Coastal Activities; and Tyler Gray, General Counsel, Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association. The presentations included discussion of the

alarming loss of coastline in Louisiana; the efforts at both the state and federal levels to restore the coastline, and sources of funding for coastal restoration; the energy and transportation infrastructure at risk from coastal land loss and its potential impact on both a state and a national level; and the oil and gas industry's contributions to coastal restoration. The presentations were very interesting and informative, and we had a good turnout for the program. The program was held at Phelps Dunbar, and was sponsored by Phelps Dunbar and Stone Pigman. The Chapter received great support from Lisa Levine and Michele Smith, for which we're very thankful.

For the remainder of 2016, the Chapter is looking forward to further increasing its membership as it transitions to a Louisiana chapter. Future events and programming of the Chapter will include hosting a visit from FERC Commissioner Honorable in August 2016, and hosting a Gas Primer in the fall of 2016. The Chapter leadership is very appreciative of all the support it has received from the EBA Board and the Staff, and we're looking forward to seeing you in June at the 2016 Annual Meeting and Conference.

2015-2016 New Orleans Chapter Officers

President
Daniel T. Pancamo

Vice President
Dana M. Shelton

Northeast Chapter

Includes CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, PA, RI, VT, Ontario, Quebec & the Maritime Provinces of Canada

The Northeast Chapter hosted a program on October 14, titled “*Shaping the Utility of the Future*” that examined ongoing state commission inquiries into how to better deploy technology resources into retail energy markets and how retail efficiencies might impact the larger wholesale market. This program was hosted at the Ballard Spahr offices in NYC and Philadelphia, with video conferencing between the two locations.

The Northeast Chapter presented “*Wind; an examination of regulatory, interconnection and finance issues and recent success stories*” on March 24, 2016, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EST) at offices of Ballard Spahr in both Washington, DC and NYC. Regulators and developers discussed pending and completed projects. This event was cosponsored by the Renewable Energy Subcommittee of the Electricity Committee, concluded with a networking reception and was generously sponsored by Ballard Spahr LLP.

The Chapter is currently putting final touches on their 2016 Northeast Chapter Annual Meeting program, to be held on June 24th, at JAMS in New York, NY.

2015-2016 Northeast Chapter Officers

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Rocky Mountain Chapter

Includes CO, MT, NM, UT & WY

The Rocky Mountain Chapter (RMC) held its Fourth Annual Meeting, *Trends in the Rocky Mountain Region: What’s on the Horizon?* at the Western Area Power Administration Electric Power Training Center in Golden, CO on May 6, 2016. This program included two panels, a networking lunch and a tour and demonstration of Western’s Miniature Power System. Attendees heard from experts regarding recent trends in the region that have the potential to reshape how energy is generated, transmitted, marketed, and consumed.

The Chapter also hosted an EBA Energizer entitled, *Energy in the Ski Industry* on March 17, 2016 from 12 noon to 1:00 pm MT in multiple regional locations, giving local EBA members and energy professionals a chance at some on-location networking. Salt Lake City, UT, Denver, CO, Billings, MT and Helena, WY all had attendees on-site and the event included video conferencing between the speaker locations. The program provided attendees with an overview of the unique energy needs and concerns of the ski resort industry, including practical, regulatory, and legislative issues related to electricity supply, distributed generation, renewable energy, sustainability, and climate change challenges.

The Rocky Mountain Chapter has held two "meet and greet" receptions this year to recruit new members and are excited to continue growing the Chapter. They already have a fall program in the works for September featuring Honorable Cheryl A. LaFleur of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

2015-2016 Rocky Mountain Chapter Officers

President	Vice President	Secretary/Treasurer
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Anne Weber		

Southern Chapter

Includes AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, TX, VA & WV

The Southern Chapter of EBA hosted two Road Show events at southern law schools – Emory University in Atlanta and Florida State University in Tallahassee. Floyd Self, partner with Berger Singerman and President Elect for the Southern Chapter, organized a diverse group of speakers at each event. The Chapter plans to continue these events in the future.

The speakers at Emory University included Curtis Romig, a partner with Byran Cave and a Southern Chapter board member, Chris Demko from Southern Company's legal department and a former FERC staff attorney, Shannon Coleman, Senior Attorney with Colonial Pipeline Company and an EBA Board member, and Shannon Pierce, Vice President, State & Federal Regulatory Affairs for AGL Resources and a former President of the Southern Chapter as well as a current Southern Chapter board member.



Emory University Road Show

The Florida State University speakers provided a state and local focus on energy law and policy included Lisa Edgar, a Florida PSC Commissioner and immediate past President of NARUC, J.R. Kelly, the Florida Public Counsel, Diana Caldwell, the Staff Director for the Florida Senate Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities, Cindy Miller, a former senior counsel at the Florida Public Service Commission, Richard Brightman, a partner with Hopping Green & Sams, and Angela Morrison, a partner with Berger Singerman.

Both road shows were a great success with a large number of students staying afterwards to talk individually with the speakers. The students had no idea as to the great variety of career options available in our industry.

We look forward to expanding our Road Show offerings to more schools in the fall. The Chapter's Spring Conference was held on May 10 in Charlotte, NC, and Atlanta, GA via interactive video link. The event was preceded by our annual business meeting, and featured two panels entitled *Sustainability* and *Fuel Diversity*. The conference's theme was "Where we are and where we are heading..." A networking event concluded the program.

2015-2016 Southern Chapter Officers

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Kurt L. Krieger	Shannon O. Pierce	Curtis James Romig	Timika Shafeek-Horton
Leonard C. Tillman	Jimmy C. Cline		

Western Chapter

Includes AK, AZ, CA, ID, NV, OR, WA, Alberta, British Columbia, Mexican States of Baja CA & Sonora

The Western Chapter doubled its new members this year and held several notable events. One was a brown bag lunch seminar featuring Google's Energy Procurement Director to discuss Google's activities and planned investments in clean energy. The event was held at Holland & Knight's San Francisco office and was well attended, with great feedback.



EBA Members enjoy networking over lunch.

100 attendees. There was an impressive attendance, and the attendees reported very positive feedback about the meeting location and panels. Lisa Levine, EBA Executive Director joined the meeting, and Western Chapter President Tara Kaushik provided opening remarks. The annual meeting began with a reception and wine auction in which a portion of the revenues were provided for the benefit of the Western Chapter's designated charity, Habitat for Humanity, and its Solar Homes Project. Commissioner Tony Clark of the Federal Energy

Notably, the Western Chapter held its fifteenth annual meeting at a new venue, the Palace Hotel, in San Francisco on February 25-26, 2016, with approximately



Tara S. Kaushik, Western Chapter President

Regulatory Commission was the featured keynote speaker. The meeting featured a lunch speaker, FERC General Counsel Max Minzner, from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, who provided an enlightening presentation on his analysis of the US Supreme Court's recent decisions concerning the FERC and state jurisdiction over clean energy programs that impact the wholesale power market. The chapter meeting included panels covering carbon markets, the Energy Imbalance Market, and distributed generation. It also featured a Commissioner panel that included The Honorable Lorraine Akiba from the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission, The Honorable Liane Randolph, California Public Utilities Commission, the Honorable Paul Kjellander, Idaho Public Utilities Commission, and the Honorable Philip Jones, Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission.

The Western Chapter held its annual business meeting at the close of the annual meeting. Tara Kaushik, of Holland & Knight and Chapter president, offered her thanks to the Chapter officers and meeting planning committee for their efforts in creating a successful annual meeting. Vice-President Charles Middlekauff (Pacific Gas & Electric Company) discussed ideas with Western Chapter members for additional events in 2016. The Western Chapter plans to hold at least two events on community choice aggregation, and the integration of distributed generation into a regional grid in 2016 before planning its annual meeting in early 2017.

On April 4-6, 2016, the Western Chapter featured an Electricity Primer hosted by the Pillsbury firm in San Francisco. The Primer was followed by a networking luncheon on April 6, 2016 featuring Federal Energy Regulatory Commissioner Colette Honorable, who spoke about the recent cases before the U.S. Supreme Court concerning the jurisdiction of FERC and the states on clean energy programs. President Tara Kaushik moderated the luncheon and introduced the Commissioner. The event was well attended, and the Commissioner recognized attendees who had contributed their service as past Presidents of the Energy Bar Association's Western Chapter.

2015-2016 Western Chapter Officers

President	Vice President	Secretary/Treasurer
Tara S. Kaushik	Charles R. Middlekauff	Keith A. Layton

2015-2016 Chapter Board Members

John R. Ellis	Lara L. Skidmore	Jennifer L. Spina
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EBA Committee Programs and Activities

The Energy Bar Association has 17 committees, councils and task forces, which function solely through voluntary committee membership by EBA members. The EBA Committees had a strong and successful organizational year, holding multiple EBA Energizers and networking events during 2015-2016. This was in addition to organizing and carrying out the Mid-Year and Annual Meeting by the Professional Education Council (formerly the Programs and Meetings Committee) with support from other committees. Since

many of the committees represent the varied industries covered under the "energy law" umbrella, issues relative to these individual industries have naturally been a part of the EBA committee events, supplementing the primarily legal focus. Without a doubt, EBA committees and their respective committee members are the lifeblood of EBA.



EBA Board at work.



On average, the EBA committees organize, plan and carry out over 40 educational and networking events each year, including networking opportunities and cost-effective educational programming, many offering CLE, through teleconferences, web seminars and in-person meetings at multiple locations throughout the country. This builds on a trend set in motion several years ago, and consistent with EBA's Strategic Plan, to take steps to pursue more participation in all regions of the United States.

With this year being no exception, over the past several years EBA committees have reached out to similar organizations to co-sponsor or participate in a number of co-sponsored events, including the American Public Gas Association (APGA), the American Public Power Association (APPA), the Edison Electric Institute (EEI), the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissions (NARUC), the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), Women's Council on Energy and the Environment (WCEE) and various state bar associations and organizations.

In 2015-2016, EBA has member committees that cover distinct subject matters. The subject matter committees include:

1. Alternative Dispute Resolution and Consensus-Building
2. Compliance and Enforcement
3. Electricity Committee
 - a. Demand-Side Resources and Smart Grid Subcommittee
 - b. Nuclear Regulation Subcommittee
 - c. Power Generation and Marketing Subcommittee
 - d. Renewable Energy Subcommittee
4. Environmental Regulation
5. FERC Practice
6. Finance and Transactions
7. International Energy Law and Transactions
8. Legislative Practice
9. Membership
10. Natural Gas
11. Oil and Liquids
12. Solo Practitioner Task Force
13. State Commission Practice
14. System Reliability, Planning, and Security

The councils round out the group with the following:

15. The Professional Education Council (formerly known as the Program Committee), which plans and organizes educational programming for the Association;
16. The Young Lawyers Council, which provides a way for lawyers new to the practice of energy law to network and learn among peers through monthly happy hours, the EBA book club, the Summer Intern Reception and other events;
17. Senior Attorney Council (formerly Retired Persons Council) for EBA members who are 65 years or older and no longer practicing law.
18. Presidents Advisory Council

Committee membership is open to all EBA members. Members can sign up for committees all year and are encouraged to update their participation each spring. If you are interested in signing up for a committee, contact EBA by phone at (202) 223-5625, by email at mary@eba-net.org, or go EBA online to <http://eba-net.org/get-involved/eba-committees>.

EBA Financial Report

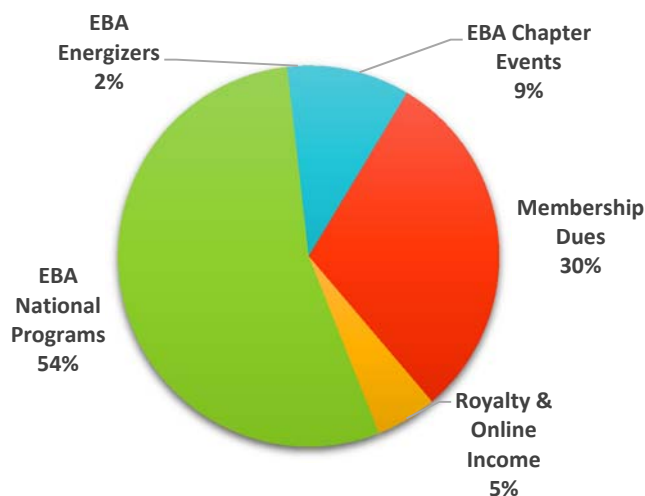
The Energy Bar Association finished the 2015 budget year with all of its financial goals and objectives met. Conservative budgeting has produced an organization that effectively controls its costs and provides maximum benefit for the membership. In November 2015, the EBA Board approved a relatively aggressive budget for 2016.

Revenue over last year remained relatively constant, with EBA's two national conferences bringing in 54%, EBA Energizers 2%, Chapter programs 9% and membership dues revenue at 30%. Royalty and online income increased from 1% in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014, to 5% in FY 2015, in part due to the success of the EBA On-Demand programming launched in the later-half of 2015.

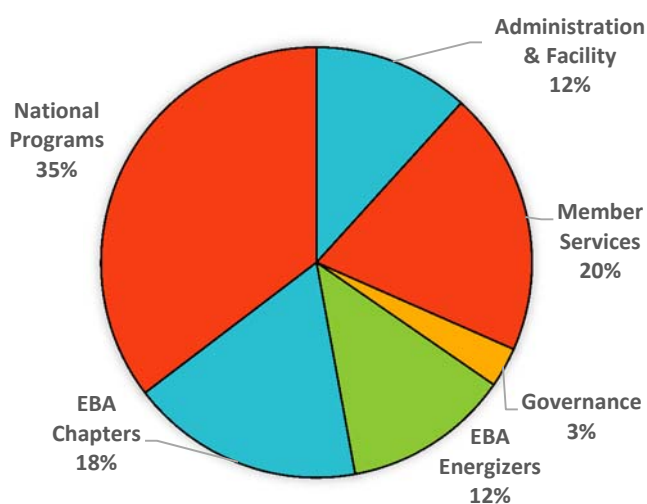
As of December 31, 2015, the Association's investment portfolio, which is managed by Wells Fargo Advisors, totaled \$1,048,253.46, along with other assets bringing the Association's total assets to \$1,219,215.77.

The 2015 budget included a greater focus on membership recruitment and marketing, continued growth of the national meeting sponsorships and a focus on the On-Demand Program offerings.

EBA Revenue



EBA Expenses



2015 Balance Sheet

Checking/Savings	\$150,991.99
Other Current Assets	\$6,485.35
Fixed Assets	\$6,684.97
Other Assets	\$1,055,053.46
Total Assets	\$1,219,215.77
Total Current Liabilities	\$50,834.57
Equity	\$1,168,381.20
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$1,219,215.77

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The Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association (CFEBA) is a non-profit organization established pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to support energy-related charities, thereby giving donors working in the energy sector the opportunity to make donations that will go to causes related to the energy field. The CFEBA achieves its mission through direct grant awards to U.S. and international community service projects that are geared towards improving the lives of members of their communities through energy.



Michael A. Stosser,
CFEBA President

CFEBA Makes a Difference



Thanks to the generosity of CFEBA donors who provided funds during the 2015-2016 term, CFEBA has been able to award more than \$100,000 in grants. A complete list of award winners can be found at: www.cfeba.org/grants/cfeba-grant-recipients.

CFEBA Annual Fundraising Gala

Marking a bold effort to expand the impact of CFEBA, the Annual Fundraising Gala to be held in the spring of each year will focus on raising money to support various energy-related programs and worthy organizations aimed at improving lives worldwide. For 2016, CFEBA is hosting its *Light Up the Village* Gala on June 7, 2016 as part of EBA's Annual Meeting.

By partnering with NRECA International Foundation, also a 501(c)(3) organization, to support the men and women of U.S. utilities who lend their skills to design and implement energy projects, CFEBA will provide financial support to help cover the expense of bringing electricity to parts of the world that lack it. For 2015/2016, CFEBA's *Light Up the Village* Gala is raising funds that will help construct 21 miles of power lines to connect a total of 461 families living in rural El Beni, Bolivia, located between the northeastern cities of Guayaramerin and Riberalta. This project, and others the CFEBA hopes to support in the future, help provide a chance at a better life to the communities served, including by enabling modern healthcare, an improved environment for education, and safer neighborhoods.



Arlington Thrive

Arlington Thrive is a Section 501(c)(3) organization based in Virginia that provides emergency support to members of their community faced with financial crisis arising from sudden health and other life-affecting events. Arlington Thrive uses funds from CFEBA to assist people in distress with their energy needs, including covering the cost of electricity or heat.

Global Solace

Global Solace Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization based in Maryland that brings renewable sources of energy to schools and health clinics that provide services to people living in the developing world. Global Solace used funds provided by CFEBA to provide solar electric power to serve 400 students attending the St. Raymond Secondary School in Anse d'Hainault, Haiti.

2015-2016 CFEBA Board of Directors

The CFEBA conducts its activities through a Board of Directors selected from members of the Energy Bar Association. The following are the Officers and Members of the 2015/2016 Board:

2015-2016 CFEBA Officers

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CFEBA Financial Report

The CFEBA worked from its current income to maximize the amount of funding that could be raised and distributed for deserving projects, consistent with past practice. The account balance at the beginning of 2015 was \$54,093.23, plus a net amount of \$2,305.25 for cash held by EBA, less outstanding uncleared checks. At the time, we had no outstanding commitments other than the standard CFEBA operating



CFEBA Continuous Giver Award recipients from left to right: Robert A. Weishaar, Jr. of McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC, Richard Lorenzo, Loeb & Loeb LLP, Emma Hand, Dentons US LLP and CFEBA President Michael Stosser.

reserve of \$14,500.00. This left a net of \$42,095.48 to operate the Foundation and fund grants. Fundraising and focused commitments were a very aggressive priority in 2015, such that by year-end, the equivalent amounts were: Bank Balance of \$86,626.22, EBA accounts net of uncleared checks and current commitments of \$35,703.35, for available funds net of the \$14,500.00 operating reserve of \$122,329.77.

In the meantime during 2015, \$32,500 of grants and regulatory intern sponsorships were funded, and plans were implemented to provide an inspiring focus to this EBA year's campaign, building up a significant resource to do so.

It is noteworthy that during 2015, unlike prior years, the primary sources of the extraordinary growth of resources came from firm, corporate, and individual contributions, rather from the traditional silent auction/gala. These contributions totaled more than \$143,000. This all part of the strategy to stage a major fundraising gala and dinner in connection with the EBA Annual Meeting, with its focus on the *Light Up the Village* effort in Bolivia.

Since the end of 2015, \$20,000 of grants unrelated to the Bolivia initiative have been approved, and the available assets have remained significant, at \$118,805.68 as of mid-April. All attention is now turned to the Gala itself, expected to raise more than half of CFEBA's 2015/2016 revenue directly, with a goal of significantly exceeding available resources of \$200,000, net of any outstanding obligations and its standard operating reserve. CFEBA's commitment to the Bolivia project is a range from \$100,000 to \$200,000, based on our fundraising success and on the actual cost of the specific items supported by CFEBA funding.

In conclusion, the CFEBA Board is deeply grateful for the record contributions so far in this campaign, from EBA Members, their law firms and companies that have donated generously to the Foundation. Your generosity is making a positive difference by allowing CFEBA to support energy-related charitable causes nationally and globally.

2015 CFEBA Balance Sheet	
Checking/Savings	\$86,626.42
Receivables from EBA - Donations	\$49,675.64
Total Assets	\$136,302.06
Current Liabilities	\$475.00
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$135,827.06



Foundation of the *Energy Law Journal*

The Foundation of the *Energy Law Journal* (FELJ) was created in 1986 to manage the finances of the *Energy Law Journal* (ELJ), which every EBA member receives. A continuing challenge for the FELJ Board in recent years has been to manage the FELJ finances to ensure the long-term financial viability of the *Journal* by not drawing heavily on the investment account. The FELJ experienced a successful year in 2015 by cutting publication costs and continuing to implement measures to increase the revenues from the annual reception honoring the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Administrative Law Judges. The reception continues to be the single largest source of revenues for the *Journal*. At the December 2015 meeting, the FELJ Board moved to rename the ALJ reception to honor the late Chief Judge Wagner. The new name will be “The Honorable Curtis L. Wagner Jr. ALJ Reception,” and will be held each fall, in connection with the EBA’s Mid-Year Meetings.

2015-2016 FELJ Board of Directors

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The FELJ also organizes author talks to highlight articles published by the *Journal* and sponsors book reviews by EBA members.

Energy Law Journal

Since 1980, the *Energy Law Journal* has provided great value to EBA's members. As a peer reviewed *Journal*, it provides in-depth analyses on current, salient issues affecting members, their clients and businesses and provides a forum for the exploration and understanding of new, cutting edge issues. This year, Volume 36, published several timely and thought-provoking articles on topics, including climate change, the jurisdictional split between state and federal regulation, clean water act risks, a customer’s right to self-generate, a critical look at fossil fuel use, potential criminal liability arising out of FERC and CFTC investigations, international shale development, an analysis of energy education in the U.S., and practice principles for new regulatory lawyers. The *Journal* is produced with the assistance and participation of a student editorial board at the University of Tulsa Law School (TU).

In recognition of the importance of the partnership between the Foundation and TU, the FELJ contributes a stipend for a summer Congressional internship for one of the TU student editors, called the William Mogel Internship, in honor of the *Journal*’s first editor. This past year’s

recipient of the Mogel internship was Jordan Pace, a third-year TU student, and an articles editor on the *Journal*. He spent his internship in the office of Representative Markwayne Mullin from Oklahoma and a member of the House Natural Resources Committee.



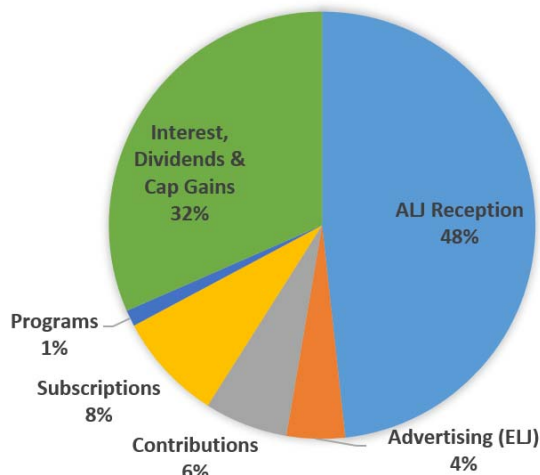
The EBA Committee Reports continue to be published by the *Journal* in the online edition with 10 committee reports this year. These reports are valuable to the membership to keep up on developments, a great learning tool for those new to a particular field, and a great reference source for brief writing and presentations.

In August, before the start of the academic year at TU, an annual workshop was held for the student editors on energy legal, policy, and related issues. These workshops are intended to increase the students' familiarity with the issues that will appear in the articles they will be editing and are taught by members of the *Journal's* Editorial Board and the TU faculty.

FELJ Financial Report

The FELJ's revenues were higher in 2015 than in 2014, and are projected to be higher again in 2016. Revenues are obtained primarily through the Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. Administrative Law Judge Reception. Through the generosity of volunteer host firms selected each year that provide substantially all costs of the reception, virtually all revenues are profits to the FELJ. The net revenues from the 2015 reception was \$44,160. Other sources of revenues include: contributions, subscriptions to the *Energy Law Journal* and advertising in the *Energy Law Journal*; royalties; and programs, such as author talks and discussion groups.

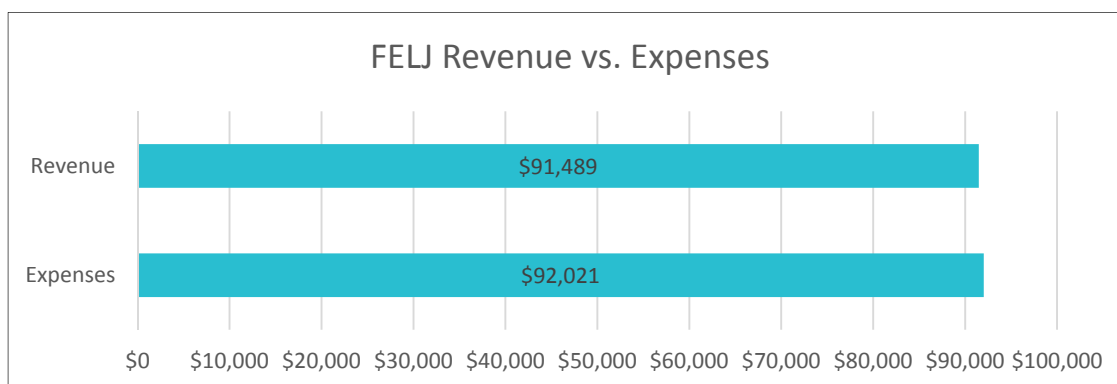
FELJ Total Revenue by Source



The relatively interest-free economy and weak stock market have caused some downward fluctuations in our portfolio assets. We maintain a conservative investment strategy managed by Wells Fargo. And we have operating expenses that include some increased cost items, such as insurance and printing and postage. The opt-out procedure to defray ELJ printing costs is highly encouraged.

The FELJ continues to maintain rigorous cost control and to actively explore new sources of revenue. It is eagerly anticipating the inaugural transition of its first-ever Mid-Year Meeting timing for its 2016 fundraising reception.

The FELJ is grateful for the continued support of EBA, the EBA membership, and the many contributing law firms and consulting firms – all of whom have enabled us to continue the publication of the unsurpassed *Energy Law Journal*.





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