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Andrea Wolfman Honored with Energy Bar Association's prestigious Champion for Diversity and Inclusion Award



Washington, DC. - Andrea Wolfman currently Of Counsel at Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, and longtime member of the Energy Bar Association and the American Association of Blacks in Energy, has been selected as the Energy Bar Association's prestigious Champion for Diversity and Inclusion. Wolfman was honored during the association's annual meeting luncheon on May 11 at the EBA's 2022 Annual Meeting & Conference.

"I'm absolutely delighted that Andrea was honored for work that she has done selflessly over the years for others within our industry. From the number of folks who have shared 'Andrea testimonials,' it is clear she has encompassed the full spectrum of the EBA Diversity and Inclusion policy and the true definition of a Diversity and

Inclusion Champion," noted Delia Patterson, EBA President and SVP, Advocacy & Comms and General Counsel for American Public Power Association.

Wolfman promoted the careers of female and diverse attorneys during her 24 years at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). She continued her commitment to diversity and inclusion in her career in private practice. Currently serving on the Davis Wright Energy Group's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee, she has been instrumental in developing and implementing an energy internship at Davis Wright for diverse law students. Wolfman also served in the Washington DC Diversity Committee at Alston & Bird and has been speaking on panels and organizing events to support the

role of African Americans and other diverse individuals in the energy field for over a decade.

Wolfman focuses her practice on the federal regulation of natural gas and electric utilities and the developers of renewable generation and electric storage. She has also advised natural gas and oil pipelines. She provides strategic advice, compliance counseling, and representation in matters concerning the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Department of Energy, DOT/PHMSA, and NERC, among others. During her 24 years at FERC, where she was one of the few female attorneys of color when she started in the late 1970's, she played a key role in developing policies for the restructuring of the natural gas and electric industries. Wolfman was named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in Energy Law by *Best Lawyers*, 2017-present

Wolfman has held a variety of leadership roles in the Energy Bar Association and the Foundation of the Energy Law Journal over the past two decades including President of the Foundation of the Energy Law Journal, terms as Chair of the Professional Education Council and EBA Board of Directors. She is currently a member of the EBA Masters Council, where she provides advice on career strategies for diverse attorneys and provides junior attorneys with the benefits of her experience.

"I thank the EBA for recognizing that even a small axe can fell a large tree. For many years I have undertaken a number of small acts to advance diversity and inclusion in our organization and profession. I am pleased that over the years the cumulative effect has resulted in meaningful change in the diversity of energy lawyers and, importantly, the diversity of those in leadership roles," Wolfman said.

This award is given to an EBA Member who has shown unequivocal support of EBA's diversity and inclusion program with sustained efforts toward the active promotion of diversity and inclusion within the Association and legal profession. This person embodies the principles of EBA's Diversity and Inclusion program as outlined in the Diversity and Inclusion Policy and through their actions in EBA, CFEBA and FELJ and/or their professional career.

The award was presented for the first time in May 2019 to Emma Hand, a former EBA President who was the driving force behind EBA's establishment of a formal Diversity and Inclusion Policy. The award is granted as deemed warranted by the EBA Board and may, or may not, be granted annually. Previous recipients include Sherry A. Quirk in 2021 and Chief Judge Carmen A. Cintron in 2020.

To learn more about the EBA President's Award, visit [EBA Awards](#).

The Energy Bar Association is an international, non-profit association of attorneys, energy professionals, and students active in all areas of energy law. The EBA advances the professional excellence of those engaged in energy law, regulation and policy through professional education, exploring diverse viewpoints and building connections.