

Bill Quinlan, *President, Transmission and Offshore Wind Projects, Eversource Energy*
Bill Quinlan is the president of Transmission and Offshore Wind Projects for Eversource Energy. In this position, he leads the efforts of the Transmission business to fortify the electric grid and enable a clean energy future for Eversource customers in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. He is responsible for Eversource's transmission policy, strategy, major projects, regulatory approvals and compliance. He also leads the execution of Eversource's offshore wind projects, from siting and permitting through construction and energization.

Hon. Staci Rubin, Esq., MPH, MELP, *Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities*
Commissioner

Staci Rubin was appointed as a Commissioner to the Department of Public Utilities in April 2023 marking her return to the agency.

Prior to her appointment, Rubin was the Vice President, Environmental Justice at Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) where she partnered with residents of historically marginalized communities to address challenges regarding transportation, climate justice, zero waste, and lead poisoning prevention in the six New England states. She embedded environmental justice throughout CLF's culture and achieved victories using a community lawyering approach to improve transit operations and prevent energy and waste facilities in low-income communities and communities of color. Rubin successfully advocated for environmental justice laws in Massachusetts and Vermont.

Prior to CLF, Rubin served as Senior Counsel and Hearing Officer at the Department of Public Utilities where she specialized in distributed generation and public records matters. Preceding her role in state government, she was the Senior Attorney and Director of the Environmental Justice Legal Services program at Alternatives for Community & Environment, Inc. where she provided legal representation to resident groups and nonprofit organizations in low-income communities and communities of color regarding energy efficiency, transit fare programs, energy facility siting, community gardening, and other community-led initiatives. She has also taught Energy Law and Policy at Northeastern University School of Law.

Rubin earned a law degree from Northeastern University School of Law, a Master of Public Health degree from Tufts University School of Medicine, a Master of Environmental Law and Policy degree from Vermont Law School, and an undergraduate degree from New York University.

Dr. Samuel Newell, *Principal*, The Brattle Group

Dr. Newell leads Brattle's Electricity Group of 60 consultants in addressing economic questions around the industry's energy transition. His 25 years of consulting experience centers on electricity wholesale markets, market design, transmission planning, resource planning and contracting, resource valuation, and policy analysis. He advises, conducts studies, and testifies in state and federal proceedings for a variety of clients, including ISOs, state energy agencies, infrastructure investors, and wholesale market participants. Dr. Newell obtained his PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and his MS from Stanford University.

William R. Derasmo, *Partner*, Troutman Pepper Locke LLP

With more than 25 years of experience representing energy companies before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and state commissions, Bill brings extensive knowledge in navigating complex regulatory landscapes and crafting innovative legal strategies for his clients. His practice encompasses a broad range of services, including transmission cost-of-service rates, market-based rates and affiliate sales approvals, regional energy and capacity market issues, regional transmission planning disputes (including right of first refusal or "ROFR" issues), FERC audit and enforcement matters, and transmission rate incentives and formula rates. Bill acted as a lead negotiator for the Winter Storm Elliott omnibus settlement, resolving 15 dockets and approximately \$1.7 billion in penalty claims on behalf of a group of PJM generators. He worked with a Midwest utility on developing and obtaining FERC approvals under FPA sections 203 and 205 for a unique JV structure allowing the utility to add renewable resources while optimizing the value of the Investment/Production Tax Credit (see the *Rosewater* line of cases). Bill acts as counsel to the New York Transmission Owners on New York ISO and related FERC matters, and represents a group of Indiana utilities in federal court litigation regarding ROFR issues. Further, he has been a thought leader on the issue of grid-scale energy storage, having prosecuted the landmark *IPL v. MISO* complaint, the forerunner to FERC's Order No. 841 generic order on storage participation in wholesale markets. Over the years, Bill has successfully prosecuted FERC complaints involving interregional transmission planning and coordination issues and other significant issues, having participated in proceedings hashing out the industry's most significant issues as the energy markets and transmission practices have evolved from the late 1990's to the present day.

Bill hosts the firm's *Battery and Storage* podcast. He has experience working with renewable and energy storage clients on construction contract disputes, regulatory compliance for wind and solar projects, navigating the Inflation Reduction Act, and has

even worked with a foreign company locating a battery factory in the United States. Finally, Bill routinely obtains FPA section 203 approvals for M&A transactions, asset acquisitions, and other jurisdictional transactions.

Beyond FERC and state commission work, Bill routinely represents clients in the ISO/RTO stakeholder process, where many important issues percolate before reaching FERC. He has significant experience with the New York ISO, PJM, MISO, and SPP markets. Clients appreciate, on the one hand, Bill's calm demeanor in building consensus within a group representation or settlement context, and on the other hand, Bill's ability to be a fierce advocate in an adversarial context. As a final note, Bill never forgets his roots as a state commission attorney in advising clients.

Elin Katz, *Chair*, Connecticut Siting Council

Elin Swanson Katz was appointed to a 5-year term as Consumer Counsel for the State of Connecticut by Governor Dannel P. Malloy in 2011. She heads the Office of Consumer Counsel, an independent state agency established in 1975 that advocates on behalf of consumers in matters relating to electricity, water, natural gas, and telecommunications. Her agency also includes the Connecticut State Broadband Office. Ms. Katz is one of the state leaders of the CTgig Project, in which a number of Connecticut municipalities are seeking to develop ultra-high-speed gigabit networks through public-private partnerships.

As Connecticut's Consumer Counsel, Ms. Katz serves on the Connecticut Energy Efficiency Board, and is Treasurer of the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates ("NASUCA"). She is also NASUCA's representative on the Federal Communication Commission's Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. Ms. Katz is on the Advisory Committee for the Critical Consumer Issues Forum, a joint initiative of NARUC, NASUCA and EEI, and is on the Graduate Studies Advisory Board for Trinity College. She is the recipient of the New England Women in Energy and Environment's (NEWIEE) 2014 Achievement Award.

Prior to becoming Consumer Counsel, Ms. Katz practiced at law firms in Washington, D.C.; Boston; and Hartford. She also served as Assistant Counsel at the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, taught at Trinity College in Hartford, and served as a legal consultant. Ms. Katz served on the West Hartford, Connecticut Board of Education from 2009 to 2013.

Ms. Katz holds degrees from Cornell University (B.S. in Industrial and Labor Relations), Boston University School of Law (J.D. cum laude), and Trinity College (M.A. in English (Writing, Rhetoric, and Media Arts), with honors).

William M. Keyser, *Partner*, Steptoe LLP

William Keyser focuses his practice on regulatory litigation and transactions involving US electricity and capacity markets. His clients include electric utilities, transmission providers, energy storage developers, independent power producers, power marketers, hydroelectric power producers, debt and equity investors, and public utility holding companies. Will counsels clients on a variety of matters including transmission rates and cost allocation, interconnection procedures and agreements, mergers and acquisitions, renewable portfolio standards, market-based and cost-based sales of energy, interlock issues, FERC's e-Tariff requirements, and participation in regional transmission organizations. He represents clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Department of Energy, federal and state courts, and state public utility commissions.

Will is recognized as a leading energy lawyer in the Electricity (Regulatory & Litigation) market by *Chambers USA* and *Chambers Global*, who notes that clients laud Will as a "smart and practical" practitioner who is "very strong on strategy and client relationships." *The Legal 500* also recognized Will as a "Next Generation Partner" in the Electric Power (Litigation) industry in 2023.

Prior to joining private practice, Will served as a law clerk for the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

Mark Sciarrotta, *Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer*, Vermont Electric Power Company (VELCO)

Before joining VELCO in 2007, Mark served as Vermont Assistant Attorney General, handling complex environmental cases and litigation. At VELCO, he oversees legal and ethical compliance and leads sustainability efforts. He holds a law degree from Vermont Law School, where he is also a Trustee, and a bachelor's from Rider University. Mark lives in Montpelier, Vermont with his three children.

Andrea Sarmentero Garzón, *Of Counsel*, Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer, Pembroke, P.C.

Andrea I. Sarmentero Garzón joined the Firm in 2023 and represents clients in

transactional, regulatory, and compliance matters in the electric and natural gas industries. Ms. Sarmentero advocates for her clients in litigation and settlement proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and in the federal courts of appeals. Ms. Sarmentero's regulatory practice includes advising clients on issues involving utility and pipeline revenue requirements, electric transmission rates and incentives, electric transmission planning and cost allocation, pipeline transportation rates, pipeline certificate proceedings, participation in regional energy and capacity markets, FERC's jurisdictional boundaries, grid resilience and reactive power revenue requirements. Ms. Sarmentero is experienced in drafting and negotiating agreements for energy transactions, including agreements addressing ownership and operation of transmission and generation facilities, capital investments, power purchases, engineering procurement and construction, dynamic transfers of electricity, interconnections, and water and power supply. She advises clients on matters concerning compliance with FERC's pro-forma open access transmission tariff, FERC regulations, policies and standards, NERC electric reliability standards, and PHMSA safety regulations for natural gas pipelines.

Bruce Anderson, *Senior Vice President & General Counsel*, New England Power Generators Association, Inc.

Anderson has worked at NEPGA since 2012 in roles of increasing responsibility as the primary advocate for the association at the NEPOOL wholesale electricity market stakeholder process and before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

A graduate of Clark University and Boston University School of Law, Anderson previously worked at the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office and the law firm of Feritter, Scobbo, & Rodophele, among others.

Liz Delaney, *Vice President, Policy & Business Development*, New Leaf Energy

Liz Delaney is New Leaf Energy's vice president of utility-scale policy and business development. As a senior leader of the company's utility-scale development division, Liz focuses on market and commercialization strategy and, over the last five years, has helped the company build its 12 GW solar and battery storage project pipeline. Liz oversees a team of experts who engage in regional business development and RTO advocacy efforts. Liz's team also powers the company's grid analytics capabilities, helping New Leaf navigate complex transmission and interconnection challenges and identify key locations for greenfield solar and storage development. Liz has testified several times in front of the

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on topics such as interconnection reform, renewable energy, and grid reliability. Before joining New Leaf Energy (formerly Borrego Solar Systems), Liz was a market design expert and policy advocate, representing Environmental Defense Fund at ISO New England and the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL), where she also served as a NEPOOL officer. Prior to that, Liz held various energy/environment-focused roles with employers such as Harvard University, the Eastern Research Group and Earthwatch Institute. Very early in her career, Liz was a secondary science teacher and taught at inner-city as well as international schools. Liz received her undergraduate degree from Boston College, her master's from George Washington University, and holds a certificate in energy innovation from Stanford University.

Marc D. Montalvo, *President & CEO*, Daymark Energy Advisors

For almost 30 years Marc has worked with industry and policymakers to design effective and efficient regulatory and market structures and to develop and deploy energy infrastructure. His areas of expertise are utility regulation, power markets, and strategic planning. His work has generally focused on problems of regulatory economics, power system planning, cost-benefit analysis, risk management, and resilience planning. His consulting engagements frequently require facilitating decision-making processes and negotiating amongst broad sets of interests. Marc has been invited to present on numerous industry topics and has testified before federal and state regulators. He advises electric utilities, renewable power and transmission project developers, large industrial and commercial end-users, industry and consumer advocacy organizations, and municipal and state government agencies.

Dr. Walter Graf, *Chief Economist*, PJM Interconnection

Graf supports the Market Design and Economics function at PJM Interconnection, a regional transmission organization that operates wholesale markets for energy & ancillary services, capacity, and financial transmission rights, and operates the bulk power system in 13 states and the District of Columbia. Previously, Graf worked for the Brattle Group as a Senior Associate. Graf received a PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of California, Berkeley, a BS in Economics and a BS in Environmental Engineering from the University of Michigan.

Rosendo Garza, Jr., *Senior Associate*, Day Pitney LLP

Rosendo Garza is a committed energy attorney who represents clients in regulatory,

compliance, and transactional matters before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and in federal courts. As counsel to the New England Power Pool, he advises on the design and operation of New England's wholesale electric markets, helping clients navigate complex regulatory frameworks.

Rosendo is also a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, with multiple combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan as an infantry officer. His dedication to service extends to pro bono work—advocating for military veterans, securing appellate wins in constitutional rights cases, and reuniting families through international custody litigation. While at UConn School of Law, he successfully represented a transgender woman seeking asylum and earned a graduate certificate in Human Rights.

Active in his community, Rosendo serves as President-Elect of the Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association and Secretary of the Board for the Chrysalis Center. He is also a board member of the Northeast Energy & Commerce Association.

Shaun Boedicker, *Partner*, Steptoe LLP

Shaun Boedicker's practice focuses on a wide-range of litigation and regulatory matters for energy companies before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), as well as in state and federal courts. He regularly represents clients in highly complex and contentious disputes, including claims of alleged market manipulation, monopolization, violations of state tort law, and others. He has particular experience in applying preemption and related doctrines to suits brought against his clients. Shaun also counsels clients concerning all facets of federal energy regulation, frequently serving as the primary counsel on behalf of his clients for filings and other actions taken before FERC. He has represented clients in dozens of complaints and other actions brought before FERC worth hundreds of millions of dollars. Shaun has also been counsel in nearly a dozen federal appeals challenging FERC actions.

Michael E. Kenneally, *Partner*, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

Michael E. Kenneally is co-leader of the firm's appellate litigation practice. He helps clients tackle complex legal issues on appeal and throughout all stages of a case, drawing on deep experience across many federal and state courts. Clients often turn to Michael when they face high-stakes litigation or novel questions of constitutional, statutory, and administrative law. Before joining Morgan Lewis, Michael clerked for Justice Antonin Scalia and Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. at the Supreme Court of the United States and for then-Judge Neil M. Gorsuch at the US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

Jeff Liu, Associate Attorney, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

Jeff Liu is an associate in the Washington, D.C., office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He practices in the firm's Litigation Department.

Before joining the firm, Jeff served as an attorney-adviser in the Department of Justice's Office of Legal Counsel, where he prepared legal advice for the President and executive branch agencies on a range of statutory and constitutional questions. He was previously a law clerk to the Honorable Carlos T. Bea of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Jeff earned his J.D. from Stanford Law School, where he served as an Articles Editor on the *Stanford Law Review* and earned the Judge Thelton E. Henderson Prize for his contributions in the Stanford Supreme Court Litigation Clinic. He graduated *summa cum laude* with a dual degree in Chemical Engineering and Philosophy from Auburn University.

He is admitted to practice law in California and the District of Columbia. Jeff is also admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Andrea Chambers, Of Counsel, DLA Piper

Andrea Chambers focuses her practice on energy regulation and project finance. She has 30 years of experience on matters before the Federal Energy Regulation Commission (FERC) and has advised on wholesale electric energy markets, natural gas pipelines, and electric.

Andrea has represented utilities in restructuring of electricity markets and advised transmission owners regarding all aspects of electric rates and tariffs and assisted renewable generators in matters regarding interconnection with RTO and ISOs in all regions of the country. She has obtained market-based rate authorization for generation owners and advised renewable generation owners on qualifying facility status and exempt wholesale generation requirements regarding PUHCA.

Andrea has prepared FPA Section 203 applications on behalf of clients for transfers of FERC-jurisdictional assets and has provided strategic advice regarding blanket authorizations available for such transfers. She has advised clients regarding transfers of generation and transmission assets in Texas subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Her advice in these transactions often involves state energy regulatory compliance.

Andrea also has extensive experience counseling clients regarding compliance with FERC compliance and enforcement matters.

In her practice, Andrea also provides advice on DOE matters, concerning presidential

permits for building cross-border facilities and import and export authorization. She has counseled clients building subsea transmission cables.

In addition to her electric regulatory practice, Andrea also has an extensive practice before FERC representing shippers on natural gas pipelines.

Chris Hamlen, *Assistant General Counsel – Markets*, ISO New England Inc.

Chris Hamlen is the Assistant General Counsel of Markets at ISO New England. In this role he works with a team of lawyers who are responsible for providing legal support for the development and administration of New England's wholesale electricity markets, including implementing the organization's regulatory strategy and addressing concerns of interested stakeholders regarding the markets. Prior to this role, he was Senior Regulatory Counsel at ISO New England, and an Attorney at Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green PA. He has a B.A. from Hobart and William Smith Colleges, an M.A. from Rice University, and a J.D. from Cornell Law School.

Kevin W. Jones, *Partner*, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP

Kevin's practice focuses on regulatory and market design matters for electric sector clients. Kevin's practice focuses on the electric sector, with an emphasis on competitive wholesale markets. Kevin has served as counsel to independent system operators (ISOs) and regional transmission organizations (RTOs), electric utilities, independent power producers, project developers, energy service companies (ESCOs), and government entities on the design and operation of wholesale electricity markets, the development of energy infrastructure, and related commercial relationships and transactions.

Aleksandar Mitreski, *VP Regulatory & Policy*, Brookfield Renewable Energy Group

Mr Mitreski is a Vice President, Regulatory and Policy for Brookfield Renewable's business in North America. He oversees the regulatory and policy team that represents the company's interests in the wholesale energy markets and related state and provincial energy policy issues in USA and Canada. He has over 20 years of experience in the energy industry, with particular focus on renewable generation, regulatory, policy, and commercial development efforts.

Previously as a Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs for Brookfield Renewable his focus were regulatory and market issues related to the wholesale markets in New England. He advocated Brookfield's interests in NEPOOL stakeholder process, FERC, and other

regulatory bodies using economic theory, commercial impact and operational principles. He worked on interconnection process, market trading rules, commercial development.

Previously, as employed by ISO New England, Mr. Mitreski has designed market rules affecting the energy, reserve and capacity markets and has submitted multiple written testimonies as an expert witness to the Federal Energy Regulatory Committee (FERC).

Prior to ISO-NE, Mr. Mitreski worked for Entergy in its Security and Operations Center as an Engineer supporting the real-time Control Room operations and electronic scheduling of energy (E-Tag). Mr. Mitreski has been involved in various industry forums for development of standards and procedures under the auspices of NERC, NAESB, NEPOOL, SERC, and NPCC.

Specialties. Comprehensive understanding of various energy wholesale markets (capacity, energy, reserves), power market fundamentals, market impacts to portfolio. Excellent written, oral and presentation skills. Ability to understand complex market rules, portfolio impact, and translate issues to internal staff into easy to understand concepts.

Mr. Mitreski sits on the board of the regional energy association NEPGA, is the chair of the Markets Committee of the National Hydro Association, and the chair of the Supplier Sector in NEPOOL.

Peter Ross, Counsel, Foley Hoag LLP

Peter's practice includes drafting and negotiating project agreements for solar, wind, and energy storage projects, including power purchase and other offtake agreements, community solar management and subscription agreements, and energy storage service agreements. He also conducts regulatory and interconnection due diligence in relation to solar, wind, and energy storage project sales and acquisitions, including analysis of relevant wholesale and retail market tariffs. He assists offshore wind and transmission clients in navigating state and federal permitting, as well as participating in business-critical regulatory proceedings. He advocates in state and federal court, and has drafted multiple petitions, comments, and advocacy letters to public utility commissions and public authorities on renewable energy and transmission policy matters.

Peter also regularly helps clients navigate regulatory compliance issues and negotiate contracts with respect to funding opportunities from the U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and other government agencies. He has advised clients

on grant application requirements, drafted collaboration and subaward agreements, and counseled on compliance matters related to funding made available by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act.

Prior to joining Foley Hoag, Peter worked as the Director of Policy and Business Development for a national developer, builder, and operator of commercial-scale solar and energy storage systems, and as an energy law fellow at NYU School of Law's Guarini Center. He has authored various articles on renewable energy incentives, the Federal Power Act, state and federal jurisdiction over electricity markets, and environmental policy.

Peter has previously served as a Board Member of the New York Solar Energy Industries Association (NYSEIA) and as Chair of NYSEIA's Policy Committee. He previously practiced as a litigation associate at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, and clerked for the Honorable John Gleeson in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Based in New York City, he holds a law degree from NYU School of Law and a B.A. from Harvard University.

Jeffrey Jakubiak, Partner — Energy Regulation, Vinson & Elkins LLP

Jeffrey counsels clients regarding a broad variety of electric, natural gas, and oil matters at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). His practice focuses on matters at the crossroads of law and economics, particularly cost-of-service ratemaking, energy transactions, electric company mergers and power sales, energy market manipulation, and the workings of energy markets. He has a deep understanding of the methodologies used by FERC to set returns on equity and to analyze generation market power, and has developed proprietary quantitative analytical tools that he uses to advise clients on electric asset transactions, market-based rate authorizations, and litigation risk.

Jeffrey's FERC experience has been recognized by *Chambers USA* and *Chambers Global*. Clients have noted he is "an outstanding attorney who has full command of all aspects of the energy industry" and "is an excellent strategic thinker, and has exceptional analytical and writing skills" (*Chambers USA* 2019). In particular, he is "extremely experienced in FERC matters and understands the nuts and bolts of the law in this area" (*Chambers USA* 2016). He was also recognized as a leading lawyer for the area of Energy Law in the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

He has also authored several articles on energy economics presented at the annual meetings of the International Association for Energy Economics.

