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Andrew represents financial institutions and project developers on major infrastructure projects with a focus on the development, construction, financing, operations, and management of energy projects, primarily in the renewable energy field.

OVERVIEW

Andrew's industry focus in renewable energy and power includes renewable natural gas, residential solar, utility-scale solar, wind, natural resources, water, wastewater, food waste, agricultural waste, waste-to-energy, and other infrastructure. He counsels clients in financial and corporate transactions, including public-private partnerships and other alternative project delivery structures.

Andrew is also involved in the firm's pro bono practice, where he assists parents of children with disabilities in the D.C. public school system in obtaining special education services.

Prior to joining the firm, Andrew was an associate at a national law firm, and before that, an associate at a public finance and infrastructure boutique law firm, where he focused on public-private partnerships and the procurement and implementation of public infrastructure on an alternative project delivery basis in the water treatment, wastewater treatment, renewable energy, recycling, and solid waste sectors.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented an owner in connection with multiple acquisitions and debt financings of residential solar portfolios in aggregate exceeding \$600 million and 300MW.
- Represented utilities in the long-term development, construction, and operation of numerous renewable natural gas projects.
- Represented a utility in the formation of its residential solar development, finance, installation, and operation business.
- Represented utilities in the acquisition, construction, operation, and maintenance of multiple utility-scale solar projects, totaling in excess of \$800 million and 650MW.
- Represented several developers in the development and implementation of residential and commercial rooftop solar purchase agreements, EPCs, and offtake agreements.
- Represented a developer in a long-term solar development, EPC, and O&M partnership.

- Represented a utility subsidiary in the development and subscription of a residential solar portfolio.
- Represented an investment and financing company in connection with multiple acquisitions, financings, and development of its renewable, sustainable infrastructure fleet, including battery storage; community, commercial, and industrial solar; energy efficiency; and fuel cells.
- Represented developer in the development, construction, and sale of a 160MW solar project.

AWARDS

- *Legal 500 United States*: Energy: Renewable/Alternative Power and Energy: Energy Transactions: Electric Power (2024)
- *Best Lawyers in America®: Ones to Watch*: Banking and Finance Law (2024-2025), Energy Law (2021-2025), Project Finance Law (2023-2025)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Construction
- Energy
- Energy Construction
- Energy Storage
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Renewable Energy

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Construction
- Energy
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- Energy Storage
- Environmental, Social + Governance (ESG)
- Equipment Leasing + Finance
- Finance + Banking
- Financial Services
- Government Contract Lending
- Government Contracts
- Mezzanine Lending
- Oil + Gas
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Renewable Energy
- Residential Solar Leasing + Finance
- Warehouse Lending
- Water Quality + Water Resources

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Duke University School of Law, J.D., 2011
- University of Georgia, B.A., *cum laude*, 2008, political science
- University of Georgia, B.S.Ed., *cum laude*, 2008, sports studies

BAR ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- New Jersey
- New York

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Alexander H. Carver, III, Superior Court of New Jersey (Civil Law Division), 2011-2012

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "Renewable Natural Gas – The Next Frontier," *Energy Law Insights*, August 3, 2023.

PUBLICATIONS

- Podcast, "Point-of-Sale Finance Series: Solar Finance Under the Microscope," *The Consumer Finance Podcast* and *Payments Pros – The Payments Law Podcast*, December 4, 2025.
- Podcast, "Point-of-Sale Finance Series: Door-to-Door Sales and Home Improvement Financing," *The Consumer Finance Podcast*, November 20, 2025.
- Podcast, "Point-of-Sale Finance Series: Navigating Merchant and Dealer Contracting," *The Consumer Finance Podcast*, October 23, 2025.
- Podcast, "Payments and the Solar Industry," *Payments Pros, Consumer Financial Services Law Monitor*, July 27, 2023.

MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Quoted, "Lower Costs and Less Capital Outlay: How Energy-as-a-Service Assists CRE," *Connect CRE*, March 13, 2026.