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Dixon routinely guides energy sector clients through complex regulatory proceedings, appeals, and transactions.

OVERVIEW

Dixon is an associate in the firm's Energy group. He represents electric utilities, independent power producers, financial institutions, and other energy sector clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the U.S. Courts of Appeals, and state utility commissions. Dixon also advises on project finance and tax equity transactions.

Before joining the firm, Dixon served as a term law clerk to the Honorable Glen E. Conrad of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia and was an associate at an international law firm. As a third-year law student, Dixon briefed and argued a criminal appeal before the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented RTO in litigation before FERC concerning emergency grid management operations.
- Represented independent power producers in litigation before U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit concerning RTO capacity market rules.
- Represented utilities in proceedings before FERC and U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit concerning RTO transmission planning rules and cost causation principle.
- Represented ISO in litigation before U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit concerning filed-rate doctrine and ISO interconnection rules.
- Represented utilities in proceedings before FERC concerning RTO market resettlement rules.
- Represented utilities before FERC in Order No. 2023 rulemaking.
- Represented utilities before FERC in Order No. 1920 rulemaking.
- Represented liquified natural gas terminal before FERC in petition for declaratory order concerning FERC jurisdiction under the Natural Gas Act.
- Represented independent power producers before FERC in applications for market-based rate authority.
- Advised financial institutions on state and federal energy regulatory requirements in connection with project finance and tax equity transactions.
- Negotiated generator interconnection agreements on behalf of ISO.

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- Represented utilities in rate cases and other regulatory proceedings before Virginia State Corporation Commission.
- Represented German law professors as amici curiae before U.S. Supreme Court in *Abitron Austria GMBH v. Hetronic Int'l, Inc.*, 600 U.S. 412 (2023).

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Ones to Watch, Energy Law (2027)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Energy
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- FERC
- Oil + Gas

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Energy
- Energy Storage
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- FERC
- Oil + Gas
- Renewable Energy
- State Energy Regulation

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Energy Bar Association
- Executive committee member, Richmond Bar Association Environmental & Energy Law Section

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Analyst, Stout Risius Ross, 2015-2017

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- William & Mary Law School, J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2020, Order of the Coif; notes editor, *William & Mary Law Review*
- University of Virginia, B.A., 2015

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Virginia

CLERKSHIPS

- Hon. Glen E. Conrad, U.S. District Court, Western District of Virginia, 2020-2021

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, “When (and Why) the Levee Breaks: A Suggested Causation Framework for Takings Claims that Arise from Government-Induced Flooding,” *William & Mary Law Review*, 2019.