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Jennifer takes a practical approach to addressing client needs. She applies her knowledge of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to advise electric utilities and natural gas companies on a wide range of regulatory, litigation, and policy matters.

OVERVIEW

Jennifer is an energy associate in the firm's Washington, D.C. office, where she advises clients on transactional and regulatory matters.

Before joining the firm, Jennifer worked as an associate attorney at a D.C.-area law firm, primarily representing natural gas and oil producers in proceedings before the FERC and federal courts involving cost-of-service rate, proration, tariff, and contract disputes under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Interstate Commerce Act (ICA). Prior to that, Jennifer spent two years serving as an attorney advisor to FERC administrative law judges, where she advised on contested proceedings involving return on equity, capital structure, reactive power, formula rate, market-based rate, and RTO market manipulation issues arising under the Federal Power Act, NGA, and ICA.

While in law school, Jennifer interned with FERC's Office of Administrative Litigation, the CFTC, and the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC). These experiences allowed her to build an in-depth understanding of issues related to administrative adjudication, energy commodity markets and derivatives, and the bulk power system.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America®:* Ones to Watch, Energy Law (2026-2027)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Energy
- FERC
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- Energy
- FERC
- Litigation + Trial
- Oil + Gas

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Energy Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Attorney advisor, Office of Administrative Law Judges, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 2018-2020

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- The George Washington University Law School, J.D., 2018, senior managing editor, *George Washington Journal of Energy & Environmental Law,* 2017-2018
- Texas A&M University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2012

CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- University of Oxford-The George Washington University Law School, *Certificate in International Human Rights Law*, 2016

BAR ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "New Opportunities for Boosting Grid Security," *Energy Law Insights*, November 9, 2023.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "High-Level Summary of FERC Order No. 1920 on Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation," *Troutman Pepper*, May 21, 2024.
- Co-author, "Troutman Pepper Summary of FERC Order No. 2023-A on Generator Interconnections," *Troutman Pepper*, March 28, 2024.
- Co-author, "Troutman Pepper Summary of FERC Order No. 2023 on Generator Interconnection Reform," *Troutman Pepper*, August 2, 2023.
- Co-author, "FERC Establishes Revised Accounting Rules to Address Renewables, Storage, and RECs,"

Troutman Pepper, July 14, 2023.

- Co-author, "FERC Issues Final Rule Establishing Incentive Rate Treatment for Eligible Cybersecurity Investments," *Troutman Pepper*, May 9, 2023.
- Co-author, "Federal Energy Regulation Commission Proposes to Offer Rate Incentives for Voluntary Cybersecurity Investment," *Pratt's Privacy & Cybersecurity Law Report*, January 2023.
- Co-author, "Can FERC and the Bankruptcy Courts Have Concurrent Jurisdiction Over the Rejection of FERC-Jurisdictional Contracts in Bankruptcy?," EBA Brief, Energy Bar Association, Spring 2021, Vol. 2, Issue 1.