

# **Kaitlyn DeYoung**

# **Associate**

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#### **OVERVIEW**

Kaitlyn DeYoung is an associate in the firm's Kansas City office. She is a member of the firm's Energy, Infrastructure, and Resources practice. Kaitlyn's practice focuses on the development, acquisition, and disposition of renewable power projects.

Kaitlyn enjoys working with clients to build energy projects from the ground up by guiding them from origination through operation. With deep understanding of site control, permitting, equipment procurement, and construction, as well as the intersection of each with local governmental authorities, Kaitlyn provides practical solutions to turn projects from idea to a physical reality. Kaitlyn also advises clients on the acquisition and disposition of power projects at varying stages of development, including operating assets.

#### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Kaitlyn was an associate at a large U.S. law firm where she represented energy clients in a variety of development matters and complex transactions.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

 Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® "Ones to Watch" 2023 for work in Energy Law and Real Estate Law

# **PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

- Big Brothers and Big Sisters, 2010-2017
- Do Good Company, Board Member, 2019- present

#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., University of Oklahoma College of Law, 2018 (assistant articles editor, Oklahoma Law Review)

B.A., The University of Kansas, 2015

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- Bar of Colorado
- Bar of Kansas
- Bar of Missouri

#### **NEWS & EVENTS**

18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch

## **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Power
- Construction and Infrastructure Project Funding
- **Energy Finance**
- **Energy Storage and Distributed Resources**
- ESG Sustainability and Renewable Energy
- Land Use, Planning, and Zoning
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions
- Real Estate Development and Construction
- Renewables

## **INDUSTRIES**

- Energy
- Power Generation and Transmission

# **EMERGING ISSUES**

Hydrogen

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

#### Renewable Power

- Served as transactional counsel to Acciona in the acquisition of a portfolio of seven stand-alone battery energy storage systems in Texas.
- Served as transactional counsel to Greenbacker in the acquisition of a 58MW wind energy project in Maine.
- Served as transactional counsel to Greenbacker in the acquisition of a combined solar and storage project in Montana.
- Served as development counsel, borrower's counsel, and sponsor's counsel in the development, debt, and tax equity financing of the Deerfield 2 Wind Project in Michigan.
- Served as development counsel, borrower's counsel, and sponsor's counsel in the development, debt, and tax equity financing of the Sandy Ridge 2 Wind Project in Pennsylvania.
- Served as counsel to the lenders for a portfolio of stand-alone battery energy storage systems in Texas.
- Served as counsel to the tax equity investors and lenders in the portfolio financing of six solar projects in Virginia and Pennsylvania.
- Served as counsel to the lenders in the back-leverage financing of a portfolio of 11 solar projects in Virginia.
- Represented Algonquin Power in its acquisition of the approximately 150MW Carvers Creek Solar Project then under development in Virginia.
- Represented Algonquin Power in its acquisition, development, construction loan financing, and tax equity financing of the 492MW Maverick Creek Wind Project in Texas.
- Represented Algonquin Power in its acquisition, development, construction loan financing, and tax equity financing of the 202MW Sugar Creek Wind Project in Illinois.
- Represented a utility company and its regulated electric utility subsidiary in the development, disposition, and build-transfer acquisition and tax equity structuring of the 300MW Kings Point and North Fork Ridge Wind Projects in Missouri.
- Represented a renewable energy developer in the development and sale of the 240MW Fort Bend Solar Project in Fort Bend County, Texas.
- Represented a renewable energy fund in the acquisition and construction of a portfolio of small solar projects in Arkansas.
- Represented a renewable energy fund in the staged acquisition and construction of a 20MW portfolio of small solar projects in Arkansas.
- Represented a renewable energy fund in the staged acquisition and construction of a portfolio of three solar projects in New York with public university off-takers.

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- Represented a renewable energy fund in the staged acquisition and construction of a portfolio of eight solar projects in Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- Represented a renewable energy fund in the staged acquisition and construction of a portfolio of fifteen solar projects in Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- Advised developer with corporate reorganization and internal tax equity financing of solar assets.
- Assisted lender group with closing of US\$1.4 billion development stage construction loan for 999MW wind project in Oklahoma.
- Represented a consortium of lenders with respect to the closing of a development-stage construction loan for a 200MW solar and storage project in Michigan.
- Represented a consortium of lenders with respect to the closing of a development-stage construction loan for a 105.8MW wind project in New York.
- Represented a consortium of lenders with respect to the closing of a development-stage construction loan for a 250MW wind project in Illinois.
- Represented a consortium of lenders with respect to the closing of a development-stage construction loan for a 300MW wind project in Nebraska
- Represented a consortium of lenders with respect to the closing of a development-stage construction loan for a 300MW wind project in Missouri.
- Advised tax equity investors in real estate, permitting, and regulatory matters on wind projects throughout the US including Bitter Ridge, Heart of Texas, and Bennington.
- Advised developers through development, construction, and operation of more than 10GW of renewable energy projects in 35 states.
- Advised owners through acquisition and financing of more than 50GW of renewable energy project.
- Represented lenders and tax equity investors in real estate, permitting, and other state and local matters in 42 states.