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OVERVIEW

Andrew Stephens is an associate in the firm's Kansas City office and a member of the Power practice group. His practice focuses primarily on the renewable energy sector, where he advises clients, drafts and coordinates relevant transactional documentation, and performs project-level analysis on the structuring of a variety of transactions, including acquisitions, joint ventures, tax equity financings, and other complex commercial arrangements involving wind and solar projects across the US. Andrew also advises energy clients on virtual power purchase arrangements for renewable energy facilities.

In addition to his energy practice, Andrew has experience representing manufacturing clients in a broad array of business and corporate matters, including drafting and negotiating long-term supply agreements and transportation contracts.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Andrew served as an associate with a full-service firm based in Kansas, where he drafted aviation finance agreements and related leasing arrangements crucial to the representation of national and international financial institutions. In addition, Andrew performed due diligence and complex analysis for regional mergers and acquisitions transactions and advised clients in the organization and governance of new business entities.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Business Associations II
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award in International Commerce and Investment

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Kansas School of Law, 2021
- B.S., University of Arkansas, 2016

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Kansas
- Bar of Missouri

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Navigating Potential Changes In Carbon Reporting Standards,” *Law360*, 17 January 2023

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Power
- Construction and Infrastructure Project Funding
- ESG - Sustainability and Renewable Energy
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Renewables

INDUSTRIES

- Energy
- Power Generation and Transmission

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Served as development counsel, borrower's counsel, and sponsor's counsel in the development, debt, and tax equity financing of a 112 MW wind-powered electric generating project in Michigan.
- Served as development counsel, borrower's counsel, and sponsor's counsel in the development, debt, and tax equity financing of an 86 MW wind-powered electric generating project in Pennsylvania.
- Assisted Algonquin Power on joint venture arrangements for a 150 MW solar-powered electric generating project in Virginia.
- Assisted a North American renewable energy developer/owner with the internal tax reorganization of an electric generating project in Texas.
- Advised a North American aluminum products manufacturer on long-term supply agreements with large, multi-national companies for the procurement of aluminum coils used in the manufacturing of beverage cans.
- Advised a North American stainless-steel products manufacturer on a long-term agreement for on-site logistics services.

- Advised Novelis Inc. in connection with an on-site liquid nitrogen supply agreement for a US manufacturing facility.
- Assisted a large supplier of mobile and modular office spaces with an internal entity rationalization of its corporate structure.
- Assisted a renewable energy developer with a tax equity transaction involving a 232 MW solar-powered electric generating project in Arkansas.
- Assisted a renewable energy-focused company in its purchase of multiple solar-powered electric generating projects located in Rhode Island.
- Advised a bank on the drafting of documents facilitating the development of a small solar-powered electric generating project in Maine.
- Assisted Novelis Inc. with the drafting of a supply agreement for aluminum coils with a large North American automotive manufacturer.