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FOCUS AREAS

Clean Energy

Climate and Clean Technologies

Emerging Companies

Energy and Climate Solutions

Environmental, Social, and Governance

Sustainability and Decarbonization

HIGHLIGHTS

Deploying Cutting-Edge Energy Technology

Peter assists green ammonia, cement, and hydrogen developers; carbon capture projects; solar and energy storage companies; distributed energy resource aggregators; and EV charging platforms to develop commercial documents, negotiate offtake agreements, and finance first projects.

Developing New Transaction Structures

Peter helped pioneer corporate virtual power purchase agreements, having represented early adopters like Google, Amazon, and Salesforce on major renewable energy transactions as well as emergent transaction platforms like Edison Energy and LevelTen Energy.

Recognized by Clients for Practice Excellence

Peter was recognized in the 2013-2024 editions of *Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business* as a leader in the field of Renewables & Alternative Energy Projects.

EXPERIENCE

Peter Mostow is a partner in the Seattle office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he represents renewable energy and clean technology companies on project development, offtake, purchase and sale, and finance. Peter represents solar, wind, energy storage, and biomass project sponsors in site acquisition, power transmission, and utility and corporate power purchase agreements; distributed energy developers and aggregators in designing key commercial and financing structures; and producers of new technologies such as green hydrogen, carbon capture, energy storage, and renewable fuels in negotiating key commercial transactions. He applies his knowledge of project development to assist clients with diligence, negotiations, and legal opinions on a variety of transactions including joint ventures, asset and membership interest acquisitions, and project development and finance.

Following law school, from 1993-94, he served as a law clerk for the Honorable Betty B. Fletcher of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Seattle, Washington.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Yale Law School, 1993
 Editor, Yale Law Journal; Managing Editor, Yale Journal on Regulation
- J.W. Goethe Universität, Frankfurt, Germany Fulbright Scholar, 1989-90
- B.A., Reed College, 1987

Associations and Memberships

- Northwest Energy Coalition (2015-present)
- Distributed Wind Energy Association Board (2014-present)
- Center for Resource Solutions Board (2009-present)
- Vice Chair, American Bar Association Energy Facilities and Siting Committee (2005-2007)
- Governor's Carbon Allocation Task Force (Oregon, 2006)

Honors

- Recognized in the 2013-2024 editions of Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business as a leader in the field of Renewables & Alternative Energy Projects
- Named among the nation's top projects attorneys in the 2011-2023 editions of Chambers USA:
 America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- Honored as 2016 and 2023 Energy Law "Lawyer of the Year" for Seattle by Best Lawyers
- Named in the 2007-2023 editions of Best Lawyers in America
- Selected for "Top 40 under 40" award by the Portland Business Journal in 2003

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- State Bar of Oregon
- State Bar of Washington

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- "Google, Walmart and Corporate Energy 2.0," *GreenBiz*, October 13, 2015
- "5 Approaches to Corporate Purchase of Renewable Energy," Corporate Counsel, May 22, 2014
- "Armed Forces' Gigawatt Initiative for Renewable Energy Creating Great Interest," Natural Gas & Electricity, pp. 20-25, June 2013
- "Siting and Permitting Ocean Power Projects," Natural Gas & Electricity, December 2006

Select Speaking Engagements

- Moderator, "Tackling Climate Change in a Political World," Yale Journal on Regulation Symposium, April 8, 2022
- "From Goals to Implementation: Evaluating Renewable Energy Procurement Options," Virtual Energy Management Summit, March 2022
- "VPPAs are Great, but what other Procurement Options are Out There?" Renewable Energy Markets Conference, September 2021
- "Practice Issues and Contracting for Environmental Attributes in Green Energy Procurement and Certification," Center for Resource Solutions webinar, June 2020
- "Financing Solar and Storage in New England," GTM Forum on New England Solar and Storage, October 2018
- "How Big Data and the Desire for Tech Companies to Go Green Are Affecting Energy Markets," LSI Buying and Selling Electric Power in the West, Seattle, Washington, January 27, 2015
- "Corporate Purchase of Solar Power—Structures and Strategies," Solar Power International, Anaheim, California, October 22, 2014