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FOCUS AREAS

Energy Regulation and
Competition

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Environmental, Social, and
Governance

Project Development and
Transactions

Sustainability and
Decarbonization

EXPERIENCE

Nicholas (Nic) Gladd is senior counsel in Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati's energy and climate solutions practice. Nic helps independent power producers, clean energy project developers, technology companies, and investors manage risk and find competitive advantages in the increasingly complex and dynamic power sector. He is experienced in helping clients both navigate and shape regulatory frameworks at the federal and state levels, counseling on power market design, and structuring and negotiating commercial agreements for clean energy generation and energy storage projects and operating assets.

Nic regularly represents clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and appellate courts, and he provides strategic business advice to entities seeking to interconnect with and participate in the markets administered by PJM, NYISO, ISO-NE, CAISO, SPP, MISO, and ERCOT. He uses his extensive experience with the regulatory frameworks governing energy storage, distributed energy resource aggregations, and demand response to advise clients on market-opening strategies and the development of innovative projects and business models on both the supply and demand sides of the market. He also assists clean energy companies in developing regulatory compliance programs, securing regulatory approval to transact at market-based rates pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), obtaining prior approval for transactions covered by Section 203 of the FPA, and complying with the Public Utility Holding Company Act (PUHCA).

Prior to joining the firm, Nic was a partner in the energy group at Pierce Atwood. He has also served as Of Counsel in the energy practice of a large international law firm, where he advised clients on over 40 energy and infrastructure transactions worth more than \$25 billion in capital.

Before that, he held several high-level positions at FERC. Nic served as legal advisor to FERC Chairman Kevin J. McIntyre and Commissioner Tony Clark, providing counsel on matters involving organized wholesale electricity markets, natural gas and oil pipeline rates and infrastructure, North American Electric Reliability Corporation standards, electric transmission rates, and generator interconnection rules. In that capacity, he worked on several FERC rulemakings with national significance, including Order No. 841, the agency's landmark rule on the market participation of energy storage resources.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Vermont Law School, 2012
Magna Cum Laude, American Jurisprudence Awards in Administrative Law and Advanced Energy Seminar, Dean's List
- A.B., International Environmental Policy, Bowdoin College, 2003

Admissions

- Bar of the District of Columbia

- State Bar of Maine
- State Bar of Massachusetts
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

Co-author, “FERC Initiates New Proceeding to Review Its Policy on Federal Power Act Section 203(a) (2) Blanket Authorizations, Posing Potential Ramifications for ESG Investing,” Wilson Sonsini Alert, January 3, 2024