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Practice Areas  
*Energy Regulation & Compliance  
Litigation*

Education  
*J.D., New York Law School, 1975  
B.A., Brooklyn College of the City  
University of New York, 1972*

Bar and Court Admissions  
*District of Columbia  
New York  
United States Supreme Court and  
other federal courts*

## Paul Korman

*Member*

Paul Korman is experienced in complex litigation before federal and state courts and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). He advises interstate pipelines, intrastate pipelines, natural gas producers, marketers, and distribution companies on virtually all aspects of natural gas regulation. Mr. Korman represents companies and investors in rate cases, complaints, and confidential investigations before FERC and other regulatory agencies involving both natural gas and electricity. In November 2007, he was invited to be a member of the “Practitioners Panel” at FERC’s first conference on Energy Policy Act of 2005 enforcement.

Recent examples of Mr. Korman’s work include:

- On behalf of the Texas Pipeline Association, briefed and argued an appeal resulting in an opinion from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit vacating the Commission rule requiring the posting of certain data by intrastate pipelines.
- Successfully litigating rate, complaint, and certificate cases on behalf of interstate pipelines, including rate cases initiated under sections 4 and 5 of the Natural Gas Act and section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act.
- Successfully representing a client subject to a FERC show cause order alleging market manipulation.
- Resolving FERC enforcement matters without the client paying a civil penalty.
- Providing compliance training for regulated entities on all facets of FERC’s regulations and conducting internal investigations.

### *Professional Background*

Prior to joining Van Ness Feldman, Mr. Korman served as the Assistant General Counsel of MidCon Corp., a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corporation. In addition to representing MidCon Corp. at FERC, he was responsible for all phases of complex litigation between two interstate pipelines, which included proceedings before federal and state courts and FERC. He also managed administrative litigation and won reversal of an order seeking over \$1 billion in restitution, precipitating a favorable settlement.

### *Government Service*

Assistant to Commissioner George Hall , Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 1977-1979

Special Assistant, Federal Power Commission, 1975-1977

*Professional and Civic Affiliations*

- Energy Bar Association

*Honors & Distinctions*

- *Legal 500 USA*; Energy Litigation; 2008-2010
- *Chambers USA*; Energy: Oil & Gas; 2010-2011