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PRACTICES

Air
Electric
Native Affairs
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Waste & Hazardous Substances

EDUCATION

Howard University School of Law
Elon University
Capitol College

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia Bar

XENA BURWELL
ASSOCIATE



Professional Background

Xena Burwell focuses her practice on the federal regulation of electric utilities and natural gas pipelines, including enforcement, litigation, and compliance issues. Among other matters, Xena has represented a natural gas pipeline in a rate case proceeding at FERC pursuant Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act. She also has experience drafting Federal Power Act § 205 and § 206 filings, protests, and comments in FERC proceedings.

Xena has also represented pipeline clients in statewide environmental litigation. She has experience with various environmental statutes including the Clean Water Act (CWA), Toxic Substances Control Act, Clean Air Act (CAA), and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

During law school, Xena clerked for the Department of Justice Environment and Natural Resources Division, working on a variety of federal regulatory issues, including Clean Water Act, Solid Waste Disposal Act, and Safe Drinking Water Act, for EPA Regions 3 and 8. Xena also served as the Environmental Law teaching assistant for Professor Carlton Waterhouse, who currently serves as the Assistant Administrator of Land and Emergency Management, Environmental Protection Agency. During this time, Xena was also a student-mediator for the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Unit in the Washington Field Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). At the EEOC, Xena worked closely with staff mediators to deploy ADR strategies to resolve disputes in order to reach a settlement and avoid trial.

Government Service

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Student Attorney, 2019-2020

Alerts

- D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals Decision Puts FERC's Revised Method for ROE Determinations in Question, 08/10/2022