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PRACTICES

Air
Climate Change
Energy Transition
Government Advocacy & Public Policy
Litigation & Investigations
Renewable Energy

EDUCATION

Temple University Law School
Princeton University School of Public and International Affairs
Haverford College

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia Bar
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana

Professional Background

Kyle Danish became Co-Chair of Van Ness Feldman in January 2026. He is a globally recognized legal and policy expert on energy projects; climate change policy, carbon markets and green finance; government relations; and environmental regulation and permitting. Kyle has over two decades of experience assisting clients in navigating complex issues at the intersection of business and government policy.

Kyle has been ranked as a leading practitioner by Chambers USA, Chambers Global, the International Who's Who of Environmental Lawyers, Lawdragon, and Best Lawyers in America. Chambers Global has identified Kyle a "Global Market Leader" on climate change law and rated him among the top 10 climate lawyers worldwide.

Kyle regularly publishes articles and white papers on legal and policy issues. He was a contributing expert to the National Petroleum Council's 2025 report on permitting reform for energy infrastructure. Kyle has also published articles on oil and gas sector methane policies; reforming Nuclear Regulatory Commission policies for licensing advanced nuclear reactors, possible future policies for exports of Liquefied Natural Gas, and options for designing tax credits for carbon removal projects.

Representative Experience

- Advising multiple clients on differentiated gas and federal methane policies for the oil and gas sector, including the Environmental Protection Agency's methane regulations.
- Advising multiple clients on permitting reform legislation.
- Providing counsel to an energy company on state and federal air permitting requirements for a modified power plant
- Advising an energy company on opportunities to generate RINs under the Renewable Fuel Standard.
- Commissioned by two think tanks to develop policy and legislative concepts for reform of Nuclear Regulatory Commission policies for licensing advanced nuclear reactors.
- Providing counsel on policy, permitting, carbon credits, and siting issues to a developer of carbon dioxide removal projects.

Government Service

Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources

Special Assistant to the Secretary, 1990-1992

Awards and Honors

Legal 500

Environment - Transaction and Regulatory, since 2014

Chambers USA

Climate Change, 2008-2026
Environment - District of Columbia, 2011-2026

Lawdragon – The Green 500

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2024 - 2025

Super Lawyers
Since 2010

Chambers Global
Climate Change, since 2008

"Best Lawyers in America" by *Best Lawyers*
Environmental Law, since 2011
Litigation-Environmental, since 2011

International Who's Who of Business Lawyers
Environmental Law, since 2010

Lexology Index, Climate Change
Leading Individual, since 2017

Lexology Index, Environment
Leading Individual, since 2020

Articles and Presentations

- 2026 EBA Annual Meeting and Conference, Energy Bar Association, Washington D.C., 04/14/2026
- C3 Energy Summit: American Leadership in Energy Innovation, Washington DC, 12/15/2025
- Aligning Finance & Policy to Advance Climate Solutions, US Climate Action Summit, Washington D.C., 04/25/2025
- Will Trump Mend or End Federal Methane Rules?, 01/27/2025
- Federal Environmental Policies Affecting Gas Transmission & Storage - Energy Bar Association Webinar on Natural Gas Pipeline & Modernization, Energy Bar Association, 03/12/2024
- Federal Methane Policies: Legal Issues - Environmental Law Institute Global Methane Regulation Webinar, 01/31/2024
- Understanding the SEC Climate Disclosures Proposal , REAL Professionals Network, 04/13/2022
- Federal Methane Policies - Presentation to 4th Annual ONE Future Methane and Climate Strategies Workshop, Houston TX, 11/11/2021

Alerts

- Ninth Circuit Says Scope 3 GHG Reporting in California is 'Likely Unconstitutional', 11/10/2026
- EPA Proposes Revisions to Oil and Gas Methane Standards, 11/02/2026
- EPA Repeals Power Plant Carbon Pollution Standards and Proposes to Repeal All Power Plant Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards, 09/17/2026
- Implications of the Endangerment Finding Rescission for the Oil and Gas Methane Standards , 02/23/2026
- EPA Rescinds 2009 Endangerment Finding and Repeals Vehicle GHG Standards, 02/18/2026
- CARB Postpones Rulemaking on California's Climate Disclosure Laws, Heightening Compliance Uncertainty for Large Companies , 10/24/2025
- NRC Proposes $9,000 Penalty for Violations Associated with the Safe Use and Control of NRC-Regulated Material , 08/21/2025
- Trump Administration Proposes to Repeal 2009 Endangerment Finding, 08/01/2025

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- EPA Proposes Repeal of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards and Update to Toxic Emission Standards for Power Plants, 06/16/2025
- White House Publishes Executive Orders Aimed at Accelerating Nuclear Energy, 05/30/2025
- Congress Passes ADVANCE Act to Accelerate Deployment of Advanced Nuclear Reactors, 06/24/2024
- Treasury Proposes Clean Electricity Tax Guidance, 05/31/2024
- EPA Finalizes Major Power Plant Rules, 04/26/2024
- SEC Issues Climate Disclosure Rules, 03/11/2024
- Department of Energy Freezes Review of Applications to Export Liquefied Natural Gas, 01/26/2024
- EPA Proposes Rules to Implement IRA Methane Fee Provisions, 01/23/2024
- EPA Finalizes Methane Regulations for Oil and Gas Sector, 12/06/2023
- Taking Stock of a Big Month for Methane Policy, 11/20/2023
- EPA Releases Landmark Greenhouse Gas Standards for Power Plants, 05/12/2023
- EPA Proposes Updated RFS Volume Requirements and a New RFS Credit Market for Electric Vehicles, 12/06/2022
- EPA Proposes More Stringent Methane Regulations for Oil and Gas Facilities, 11/15/2022
- Supreme Court Limits EPA's Authority to Regulate Greenhouse Gas Emissions, 06/30/2022
- SEC Unveils Landmark Climate Disclosures Proposal, 03/22/2022
- EPA Proposes New Methane Regulations for Oil and Gas Facilities, 11/03/2021
- House Democrats Introduce Revised CLEAN Future Act, Readying Chamber for Action on Climate Change and Infrastructure, 03/05/2021
- Climate Change Policy Update: President Issues Executive Order Directing Whole-of-Government Response to Climate Crisis , 02/22/2021