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Professional Background

Shelley Fidler supports clients at the law firm of Van Ness Feldman in Washington, D.C. operating at the intersection of business and government in areas as diverse as foreign trade, business strategy, government relations, innovative governance, clean air, federal funding, regulatory assistance, thought leadership and visibility for companies at government's highest levels, and in subject areas such as electricity, utility models, smart grid, hydropower, energy efficiency, clean diesel engines, climate change, carbon capture, clean energy and relationships with regulators and policy makers. Shelley utilizes almost 40 years of Washington experience to assist clients in getting responsive solutions to complex and vexing public policy and regulatory challenges.

She served six years in the Clinton White House with an assignment at the Department of Energy. Ms. Fidler served twenty years in the U.S. House of Representatives working with former Indiana Representative Philip R. Sharp, finishing her Capitol Hill service as Staff Director at the Subcommittee on Energy and Power of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Representative Experience

- Staffs clients in accessing the firm's deep understanding of the business impacts of specific laws and regulations
- Secured multi-million dollar tax credit for client's advance manufacturing facility
- Provided the contacts and strategy to obtain private letter tax ruling enabling a client to grow its business
- Navigated difficult politics to free client from costly and unnecessary regulation
- Assisted client in identifying recipients for multi-million dollar philanthropic grants to transform the energy sector
- Along with colleagues, created new model for clients to partner with government to develop innovative clean energy technologies

Government Service

White House Climate Change Task Force

Principal Deputy, 1998-2000

U.S. Department of Energy

Senior Advisor, 1998-2000

Executive Office of the President

Chief of Staff, Council on Environmental Quality, 1995-1998

U.S. House of Representatives

Staff Director, Subcommittee on Energy & Power, Committee on Energy & Commerce, 1993-1995
Assistant to the Chairman for Policy, Subcommittee on Fossil & Synthetic Fuels, Subcommittee on Energy & Power, Committee on Energy & Commerce, 1980-1993
Chief Legislative Assistant, Congressman Philip Sharp (D-IN), 1975-1980

Articles and Presentations

- Meet the GC: Matthew Christiansen, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, The DC Bar and the Clean Energy Leadership Institute , 05/26/2021
- VNF Live – Looking Ahead: Energy & Climate Policy During Biden's Next 100 Days, 04/29/2021
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- 27th Annual Campus Energy Conference, International District Energy Association , Atlanta GA, 02/18/2014
- Planning for District Energy, CHP and Microgrids: A checklist for campus administrators, District Energy, First Quarter 2014, pp. 36, 01/01/2014
- The U.S. Policy and Political Landscape and its Potential Impacts on the Glass Industry: Through a Glass Darkly, The 72nd Conference on Glass Problems, 179 (C. Drummond, III ed., 2012), 06/20/2012
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- Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Take Center Stage in the Obama Era, EM Magazine, pp. 17, 01/01/2010
- Designing a Climate-Friendly Energy Policy: Options for the Near Term, Pew Center on Global Climate Change, 07/01/2002

Alerts

- Biden Signs Largest Climate and Resiliency Infrastructure Bill in U.S. History, 11/15/2021
- Biden Administration Announces Sweeping Slate of Administrative Actions, 01/22/2021
- Democrats Coalesce on Energy and Climate Message Ahead of 2020 Election, 07/22/2020
- House Committee Releases Framework for Comprehensive Climate Legislation, 01/14/2020
- EPA Promulgates Long-Awaited Final Rule Revising the Definition of Solid Waste, 12/17/2014
- President Reaffirms Support for "All-of-the-Above" Energy Policy, Announces Initiative to Streamline Energy Infrastructure Permitting, 01/30/2014
- OUTLOOK 2014: KEY POLICY DEVELOPMENTS, 01/23/2014