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Services

Energy & Natural Resources

Energy Litigation

Energy Regulation & Permitting

Litigation

Environmental Law

Renewable Energy

Haley's practice focuses on regulatory and energy law matters, as well as commercial litigation.

Haley is a shareholder in Fredrikson & Byron's Energy and Litigation Groups. In her energy practice, Haley focuses on assisting clients with wind farm, solar, transmission and pipeline permitting matters. Haley is part of a team advising utilities, independent power producers, independent transmission companies, and pipeline companies on siting, routing, permitting and other regulatory matters before the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, Wisconsin Public Service Commission, and other federal, state and local agencies.

In her litigation practice, Haley primarily represents clients in litigation related to energy infrastructure in trial and appellate courts. Haley has experience in both state and federal courts, administrative proceedings, and arbitration and mediation.

Experience

- Represents clients in appeals in state and federal courts in Minnesota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.
- Part of a team representing independent power producers in siting of wind farms and solar projects in Michigan, Minnesota and South Dakota.
- Part of a team for 300-mile crude oil pipeline for certificate of need and pipeline routing permit in Minnesota.
- Lead attorney representing independent power producer in wind farm siting and transmission routing proceeding in Minnesota.
- Advises clients on issues related to Minnesota's Community Solar Garden program.

Credentials

Education

- University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 2012, *magna cum laude*

- University of St. Thomas, B.A., 2007, *magna cum laude*

Admissions

- Minnesota, 2012
- Wisconsin, 2018
- South Dakota, 2018
- Michigan, 2020
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, 2020
- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, 2012
- U.S. District Court for the District of North Dakota, 2014
- U.S. Supreme Court, 2018

Clerkships

- Extern, Honorable Helene White, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2012
- Intern, Honorable Joan Ericksen, U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, 2010

Recognition

- Rising Star – Energy & Resources, *Minnesota Super Lawyers*, 2017-present
- North Star Lawyers, Minnesota State Bar Association, 2013-2015, 2018-2020

Civic & Professional

Professional Activities

- Minnesota State Bar Association
- MSBA Public Utilities Section Council
- Hennepin County Bar Association
- *Michigan Law Review*, Contributing Editor, 2011-2012; Associate Editor 2010-2011

Legal Updates

Legal Update | 02.12.2021

South Dakota Supreme Court Opinion Will Guide Local Zoning Decision-Making Throughout the State

Legal Update | 01.15.2021

U.S. Army Corps Publishes Final Rule to Reissue, Modify, Issue Various Nationwide Permits

Legal Update | 04.28.2020

U.S. Army Corps Asks Federal Court to Stay Decision Vacating NWP 12, Indicates It Will Appeal

Legal Update | 04.17.2020

Federal Court Vacates Nationwide Permit 12

Legal Update | 03.25.2020

New Minnesota Wind and Solar Decommissioning Plan Recommendations

Legal Update | 10.13.2015

Sprinkler Mandate Declared Invalid by Minnesota Court of Appeals

Publications & Presentations

Presenter, "Minnesota's Community Solar Program," Issues in Minnesota Energy and Electric Utility Regulation Webinar, June 4, 2021