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Krystal focuses her practice on natural gas pipeline, oil pipeline, and electricity transmission and regulation, and represents clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Prior to joining Wright & Talisman, Krystal was as an attorney-advisor in FERC's Office of the General Counsel, Energy Projects. Aside from serving as a subject matter expert for comprehensive hydropower plans under the Federal Power Act, she also advised on matters concerning preliminary permit applications, FERC's policy statement on the certification of new interstate natural gas facilities, and assessments of the environmental impacts of natural gas projects under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA).

Previously, as part of FERC's Office of Enforcement, Division of Investigations, Krystal gained valuable experience in matters related to fraud and market manipulation, violations of North American Electric Reliability Corporation reliability standards, facility ratings methodology, and regional transmission organization operating procedures. Earlier in her career, she also served as an associate for a trade association focusing on issues concerning fuel standards and Environmental Protection Agency regulations.

SERVICES

Electric Energy Regulation

Natural Gas Pipelines

Oil Pipelines

EXPERIENCE

Assisting natural gas pipelines in project development, including obtaining certificates of public convenience and necessity and related appeals.

Assisting a natural gas pipeline regarding NGA section 3 authorizations and Presidential Permits issued by FERC to permit construction of natural gas pipeline facilities across the United States-

Mexico border.

Assisting natural gas pipeline companies in NGA section 4 general rate cases and NGA section 5 investigations and in matters of compliance, standards of conduct, and tariff implementation.

Representing an RTO in capacity market reforms for generating resources capacity to sustain and predict operation such that the resource will be reliably available to provide energy and reserves in an emergency condition following Winter Storm Elliott.

Representing an RTO in an inter-regional coordination to regulate market-based and traditional congestion management methodologies to ensure that parallel flows and impacts are recognized and controlled in a manner that consistently ensures system reliability.

Representing a natural gas pipeline in a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the Regional Energy Access Expansion Project.

Assisting a natural gas pipeline in authorizing the operation and construction of the Border Facilities that will not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Florida

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

EDUCATION

American University Washington College of Law, J.D. (2020)

Florida State University, B.A. in Political Science and International Affairs (2016)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Energy Bar Association

Women's Energy Network