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Areas Of Practice

Government Policy & Practice
Government Reorganization and
Restructuring
Real Estate
Environmental

Industries

Oil & Gas
Alternative & Renewable Energy
Energy Industry Group

Bar Admissions

Texas, 2004

Education

The University of Texas School of
Law, J.D., 2004
Baylor University, B.A.,
Psychology, 2001

Language

Spanish

Rodrigo Figueroa is the director of the firm's Alternative & Renewable Energy group. He advises many of the firm's clients on state and local government matters, regulatory and public utility administrative law and real estate matters. Mr. Figueroa also assists companies in acquiring gasoline stations. His experience includes assisting utilities draft and negotiate power purchase agreements, construction contracts, franchise agreements, leases and asset purchase agreements. Mr. Figueroa is fluent in Spanish.

Experience

- Negotiated and drafted solar power purchase agreements and ancillary agreements for community solar program and distributed generation rooftop solar program for nation's largest electric and gas municipally owned utility
- Negotiated and drafted supply agreements for purchase of battery energy storage systems
- Negotiated and drafted power purchase agreements for electric output from solar farms and construction contracts for construction of solar farms
- Regularly assists municipally owned utilities and electric cooperatives in drafting, negotiating and interpreting utility easements and electric and gas franchise agreements
- Served as counsel to trade association comprised of electric cooperatives and municipally owned utilities
- Regularly advises governmental entities and private companies on transparency/open government laws including the Texas Public Information Act and the Texas Open Meetings Act
- Obtained numerous favorable Open Records Decisions from the Texas Attorney General protecting competitively sensitive documents of public and private companies
- Assisted major oil company in conducting real estate due diligence on an oil refinery and network of over 800 gas stations, in negotiating and drafting closing documents conveying such assets, and in addressing post-closing issues relating to such acquired assets
- Regularly counsels major oil companies on various real estate matters, including negotiating and drafting leases for retail service stations, and negotiating and drafting Purchase and Sale Agreements for acquisition/disposition of retail service stations

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- Assisted large electric cooperative in connection with a comprehensive internal investigation by a national consultant, involving coordination with legislators, auditors, regulators, prosecutors, litigation counsel and regulatory authorities
- Assisted in representation of large municipally owned utility in a contested evidentiary hearing before the State Office of Administrative Hearings
- Represented large asphalt company in obtaining and upholding a Flood Plain Development Permit for quarrying operations before the Kerr County Commissioners Court
- Assisted in representation of transit authority in connection with election to create an advanced transportation district

Seminars & Speeches

Chicano/Hispanic Law Students' Association - 30th Annual Banquet
April 5, 2013

Boys & Girls Clubs of San Antonio – Casino Night
November 3, 2011

Chicano/Hispanic Law Student's Association (UT) – 40th Anniversary Banquet
March 26, 2011

Publications

"Community Solar 101"
March 14, 2019
Texas Lawyer Magazine

"Five Legal Issues To Consider When Contracting For Utility-Scale Energy Storage"
September 4, 2018
Solar Industry News, Zackin Publications Inc.

News

33 Dykema Attorneys Listed as "2020 Top Attorneys" by *San Antonio Magazine*
November 16, 2020

Rodrigo Figueroa Addresses EMS Private Property Access in *Wilson County News*
September 5, 2018

Memberships & Involvement

- University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Renewable Energy Law Conference, Planning Committee Member, 2019-2021
- Dykema Recruiting Committee, Member 2008-2013, Co-Chairman 2010-2013
- Dykema Associates' Committee, Member, 2005-2009, Chairman, 2008-2009

Community/Civic Activities

- Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, Leadership San Antonio, Class 44
- Boys and Girls Club of San Antonio, Board Member, 2007-2016
- VISION-SA, Board Member, Founding Member, 2004-2008
- North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce Leadership Lab, Alumnus, Class of 2008

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- Junior Achievement, Participant 2006
- Habitat for Humanity, Participant 2006

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized by *San Antonio Magazine* in "San Antonio's Top Attorneys" for Government & Administrative, 2020
- Recognized in *Texas Super Lawyers*® as a Rising Star for Real Estate, 2012-2018
- Recognized by *S.A. Scene* in "San Antonio's Best Lawyers" for Energy Oil & Gas, Public Utilities, and Real Estate Transactions
- *S.A. Scene*, "San Antonio's Rising Stars"