



Rosendo Garza, Jr.

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Overview

Rosendo Garza handles energy matters, including regulatory, compliance, and transactional matters. He represents clients in proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Department of Energy, and federal courts. Also, Rosendo is a member of the team of lawyers serving as general counsel to the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL), a regional utility consortium engaged in the wholesale markets for electrical power. In this role, Rosendo represents NEPOOL before the FERC and regularly provides counsel on the design and operation of the region's wholesale electric markets.

Before working in the Energy and Utilities practice group, Rosendo worked as a litigator assisting companies defending claims alleging unfair trade practices, breach of contract, fraud and misrepresentation, breach of fiduciary duty, negligence, and violation of the Connecticut Product Liability Act.

Rosendo is passionate about pro bono work. As a way to continue working with service members, he represents military veterans in landlord-tenant disputes, as well as helping clients with discharge upgrades. Also, Rosendo successfully represented a pro bono client in an appeal before the Second Circuit related to his constitutional right to be free from cruel and unusual punishment, where the appellate court reversed the district court's grant of summary judgment. In addition, Rosendo represented a young Ecuadorian mother, helping her regain custody of her son under the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

After law school, Rosendo served as a law clerk for the Honorable Alexandra D. DiPentima, then-Chief Judge of the Connecticut Appellate Court. In addition, he holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, having served three tours of duty in Iraq and one in Afghanistan as an infantry officer. While in law school, Rosendo received hands-on training in the Asylum & Human Rights Clinic and represented a transgender woman in obtaining asylum, earning a graduate certificate in Human Rights. He is fluent in Spanish and an avid runner.

Experience

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Practices & Industries

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Advise clients on the wholesale energy markets, including issues concerning the stakeholder engagement with and development of FERC-jurisdictional tariff and manual revisions

Represent clients in FERC adjudicatory proceedings regarding proposals to change rates, terms, and conditions of jurisdictional services filed pursuant to Section 205 or Section 206 of the Federal Power Act

Counsel clients operating in the renewable energy space on their rights and obligations regarding interconnection and energy market issues

Provide legal and regulatory analysis in connection with a client's participation in an ISO's wholesale energy markets

Education and Credentials

Education

University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D., with Honors, *Connecticut Law Review*, Articles Editor; Moot Court Board
University of Chicago, A.B.

Admissions

State of Connecticut

U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit

Affiliations

Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association

Connecticut Bar Association

Northeast Energy and Commerce Association (NECA), Power Markets Committee

Languages

Spanish

Recognition and Community

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Recognitions

Recipient of Citizen for the Law Award by the Connecticut Bar Association

Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America* list of Ones to Watch (Woodward/White, Inc.) for Energy Law, 2021-2025; Health Care Law, 2021-2025

Selected to the list of Connecticut *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars (Thomson Reuters), Energy & Natural Resources, 2022-2024

J. Rene Frechette Scholarship

Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association Scholarship

Hartford County Bar Association Scholarship

CALI Excellence Awards: Moot Court, Comparative Law: Latin American Law, Capital Punishment, and Evolution of Crime Victim's Rights

Chosen as one of the recipients of the Honorable Anthony V. DeMayo Pro Bono Award by the Connecticut Bar Association, 2023

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, Energy Law, 2021

Community Involvement

Chrysalis Center, Board of Directors

University of Connecticut Law School Alumni Association, Board of Directors

Insights

29th Annual Awards Celebration, Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association
November 21, 2024

2024 Annual Gala, Connecticut Asian Pacific American Bar Association
October 30, 2024

Supreme Court Overturning Chevron Leaves a Wake of Regulatory Uncertainty for Employment and Energy Agency Actions
July 18, 2024

Decoding a Post-Chevron World: The Future of Federal Agency Authority
February 29, 2024

Third Circuit Decision on Judicial Review of Constructively Approved Tariff Revisions
December 6, 2023

FERC Order No. 2222 Implementation: Market Opportunities and Risks for Distributed Energy Resources
June 16, 2022

FERC Finalizes Pricing and Eligibility Changes to PURPA Regulations
July 24, 2020

DC Circuit Court Decision on Federal/State Jurisdiction in Energy Storage
July 14, 2020

Appellate Review of FERC Orders Potentially Accelerated
July 9, 2020

News

Connecticut Bar Association Honors Rosendo Garza, Jr. with Citizen for the Law Award
Connecticut Bar Association , January 22, 2024

Rosendo Garza Accepts Pro Bono Award From Connecticut Bar Association
May 4, 2023

Rosendo Garza Selected to Receive Pro Bono Award from Connecticut Bar Association
December 22, 2022

2022 Hispanic National Bar Association Annual Convention
September 7-9, 2022

Day Pitney Team of Attorneys and Staff Volunteer at Chrysalis Center Freshplace Food Pantry
July 7, 2022

Marie Caroline Bertrand Elected as President, and Rosendo Garza, Jr. Elected as Treasurer, of Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association
April 21, 2018

Day Pitney Honors Three Attorneys with Pro Bono Award
February 9, 2018

Marie Bertrand Named President-Elect of Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association; Rosendo Garza, Jr. Elected as Secretary
April 19, 2017

In The Media

"A Guide to ISO-NE's Proposed Changes to the Forward Capacity Market: The What, The When, The How," NECA 2023 Power Markets Conference
November 13, 2023

Former Conn. State Secretary, Law Dean Among Bar Honorees
Law360 Pulse, April 18, 2023

"Can Markets Get Us More Reliable?" Northeast Energy and Commerce Association
December 5, 2022

Clerkship Roundtable, Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association
April 26, 2016

The Good Fight: Meet Connecticut's Pro Bono Champs
Connecticut Law Tribune, October 22, 2018