

## Charles Corbett

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**Areas of Focus**

Energy

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### Overview

**Charlie is an associate in the firm's Energy Practice specializing in regulatory advocacy, litigation, investigations, and transactional matters on behalf of electric utilities, independent power producers, financial institutions, tribes, and other participants in the energy sector. Well-versed in agency processes, he has helped drive regulatory and policy advocacy efforts before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), and numerous state commissions.**

Charlie has defended utilities and other energy companies in high-stakes enforcement investigations before federal and state regulators and has guided clients through complex FERC regulatory proceedings on topics like interconnection queue reform, regional transmission planning, and capacity market rules. He has also helped secure FERC regulatory approvals for billion-dollar mergers and acquisitions. Experienced in handling both public and private sector matters, Charlie regularly provides strategic counsel on Federal Power Act jurisdictional issues, agency emergency authority, energy transaction negotiations involving tribes, and defensive strategies to protect public utility assets.

He has also successfully led merits briefing in multiple federal appellate courts, prevailing on issues of agency decision-making authority and federal jurisdiction under the Administrative Procedure Act.

Charlie earned his JD, *cum laude*, from Harvard Law School, where he studied federal and state energy regulatory issues and environmental law, and clerked for the Honorable Diana Gribbon Motz on the US Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. His scholarship on climate, energy, and environmental policy has appeared in the *Harvard*

*Environmental Law Review*, *Northwestern University Law Review Online*, *Lawfare*, and elsewhere, and has received coverage in *The New Yorker*, *MIT Technology Review*, and other national outlets.

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## **Credentials**

### **Admissions**

- District of Columbia, 2022
- Maryland, 2019

### **Education**

- Harvard Law School, JD, *cum laude*, 2019
- New York University, BA, *magna cum laude*, 2012

### **Court Admissions**

- US Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 2023
- US Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, 2024
- US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2020
- US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 2022

### **Clerkships**

- Hon. Diana Gribbon Motz, US Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, 2023-2024

## **Service / Recognition**

### **Awards**

- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2024; High Honor Roll, 2025