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McNees' Robert Weishaar Elected President of the Energy Bar Association



WASHINGTON – McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC attorney Robert A. Weishaar, Jr., was elected president of the Energy Bar Association during its member meeting on April 4.

Weishaar, based in Washington, D.C. and Frederick, Md., is the first attorney from McNees to be elected as president of the Energy Bar Association, an international, non-profit association of attorneys, energy professionals, and students active in all areas of energy law.

Before becoming president, Weishaar has served the Energy Bar Association on its Board of Directors, 2004-2009 and 2012-2016; Electric Utility Regulation Committee, Chair, 2001-2003; Judicial Review Committee, Chair, 2003-2004. He also was president of the association's Charitable Foundation.

"Leading the Energy Bar Association is a great honor for me because I have long-known the quality people and great value associated with the organization," Weishaar said. "The Board has recently approved a new strategic plan to grow our regional focus, enhance our programming value, and expand leadership opportunities, and I look forward to spearheading implementation of this vision, while reinforcing EBA's core values, including collegiality and civility."

Established in 1946, The Energy Bar Association hosts numerous educational seminars annually, including two national conferences a year. The educational programming focuses on providing introductory to advanced level programs, many approved for continuing legal education credits (CLE). An important part of the association's success has always been its member interaction and networking opportunities. The Energy Bar Association hosts various lunch, reception, and dinner programs providing opportunities for our vast membership to meet and share their expertise.

Weishaar is the chairman of McNees' Energy and Environmental practice group. His practice focuses primarily on matters involving the state and federal regulation of electricity supply and delivery, natural gas supply and delivery, and oil pipelines. He has substantial experience with electric industry restructuring in wholesale and retail markets, and has appeared before state regulatory commissions in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Virginia, and Ohio; before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and before various state and federal appellate courts.



On electricity and natural gas matters, Weishaar represents the interests of consumers and consumer representatives, and owners of cogeneration facilities, before federal and state administrative agencies and appellate courts. He also counsels clients regarding the competitive procurement and self-supply of utility services. He has counseled clients on the state and federal regulation of oil and natural gas pipelines.

Additionally, Weishaar received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and his undergraduate degree from The American University. He is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, and the State of Maryland. He is also admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court; and the United States Courts of Appeal for the First, Third, Fourth, Seventh, Ninth, and District of Columbia Circuits.

Weishaar manages the Washington and Frederick, Md. offices for McNees.

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