

Cullen and Dykman Energy Practice Receives Top Ranking in Chambers USA 2014

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Albany Associate Nickson Recognized as "Associate to Watch"

Cullen and Dykman is pleased to announce that the firm has once again been ranked as a top New York law firm for **Energy: State Regulatory and Wholesale Electric Market** in the *2014 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. Partners Brian T. FitzGerald and Bruce V. Miller, as well as Associate Gregory G. Nickson, were individually recognized.

The 2014 Chambers USA listed Cullen and Dykman, LLP as a **Band 1 firm** for its energy practice, stating its team is "*identified as a leading energy regulation group with a longstanding general services utility law practice,*" and that it is "*Increasingly active in the electric and gas transmission facilities space, while maintaining a broad-based energy practice that continues to attract an impressive client base.*" Clients are noted as saying "*They are extremely knowledgeable about regulatory matters, are flexible and very responsive to our needs, and provide thoughtful and practical advice.*"

Associate **Gregory G. Nickson** was recognized as a standout associate with a steadily growing energy practice in the 2014 Chambers USA listing. Clients praise his "*excellent research and writing skills.*" Mr. Nickson is based in the Albany NY office, and represents regulated energy, utility and telecommunications clients on a variety of matters before state public utility commissions and federal agencies and in federal and state court. Mr. Nickson has counseled clients on mergers and acquisitions, asset sales and licensing proceedings, rate proceedings, and in obtaining state regulatory approval for financings and restructurings.

Brian T. FitzGerald, Partner-in-Charge of the Albany NY office, is highly recommended by clients, who note that he is "*extremely knowledgeable about regulatory practice before the New York State PSC.*"

Partner **Bruce V. Miller** is well known in the energy market for his handling of complex litigation matters, particularly in appellate proceedings. Impressed clients characterize him as "*a strategic thinker with excellent tactical skills in litigation.*"

"Our office in the state capital is an essential part of Cullen and Dykman's commitment to being the pre-eminent utility and energy law firm in New York State and the region", said Thomas J. Douglas Jr., the firm's managing partner. "The top ranking by Chambers USA is recognition of that focus."

Chambers and Partners is a legal publishing group based in London. Since 1999, Chambers USA has been researching the US legal profession. In compiling the current directory, thousands of interviews were conducted

throughout the United States carried out by a team of 140 full-time researchers. Law firms and individual attorneys are ranked in bands from one to six, with one being the best. For more information, visit www.chambersandpartners.com

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Practices

- Energy Transactions

Industries

- Energy and Utilities

Attorneys

- Brian T. FitzGerald
- Bruce V. Miller
- Gregory G. Nickson