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OVERVIEW

Joe is a Shareholder in the firm's Energy practice group. He represents electric and gas public utilities and municipal aggregators in the Commonwealth on energy efficiency initiatives and other energy-related matters. Joe advises both energy and water public utility companies before the Department of Public Utilities. Joe also has experience working with clients on commercial solar development projects.

AWARDS & HONORS

Boston Magazine's Top Lawyers, 2022-2025

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Joe has broad experience in energy law, including involvement in base distribution rate cases for electric, gas, and water utilities, utility financing, federal energy efficiency standards, natural gas system enhancement plans, the competitive energy supply market, license transfers of nuclear power plants, spent nuclear fuel, and distributed generation interconnection.

Prior to joining Rich May, Joe was a Hearing Officer at the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. He was also previously an Assistant Attorney General in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, Energy and Telecommunication Division, where he received multiple "Best Brief" awards, and a Deputy Attorney General in the New Jersey Attorney General's Office, Pensions & Financial Transactions Section.

EDUCATION

- College of William and Mary, B.S. & B.A., 2007
- Villanova University School of Law, J.D., 2011; Villanova Sports and Entertainment Law Journal, Special Projects Editor, Dorothy Day Award for Pro Bono Service
- University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, M.B.A., 2018

Services

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BAR ADMISSIONS

- Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- State of New Jersey

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit

OUTSIDE THE OFFICE

Joe enjoys spending time with his young daughter, traveling, and going on hikes.

Joe also volunteers with the Boston Bar Association, recently serving as the co-chair of the Energy Committee within the Environmental Law Section.