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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

McCAULEY LYMAN LLC, Framingham, MA

Of Counsel, October 2009 – Present

Associate, January 2005 – June 2006

Project finance and general commercial law. Expert in carbon emissions law and renewable portfolio standards. Drafting of sale-leaseback agreements, REC purchase contracts, EPC contracts, asset restructuring agreements, loan documents, and non disclosure agreements. Wrote legal memoranda on FERC tariff issues, REC qualification, PPA and asset restructuring, and equipment taxation. Compiled and organized winning application for Massachusetts Renewable Energy Trust Fund grant of predevelopment funding.

MILBANK, TWEED, HADLEY & McCLOY, LLP, Los Angeles, CA

Associate, Global Project Finance Practice Group, August 2006 – May 2009

Drafted credit and related collateral security documents for energy project construction financing. Completed acquisition finance deals for various natural gas facilities. Led due diligence analysis on major infrastructure and energy project transactions. Extensive experience with project contracts including PPAs, gas purchase agreements, turbine supply agreements, EPC and operations agreements. Closed transactions for the finance of natural gas, geothermal, biomass, municipal waste, and hydro power facilities. Drafted EPC and equity funding term sheets. Negotiated and closed a first of its kind verified emissions reduction purchase agreement with a California public utility.

CAPE WIND ASSOCIATES, LLC / ENERGY MANAGEMENT, INC., Boston, MA

Intern, Summer 2004

Analyzed federal, state, and local regulatory and permitting issues surrounding the Cape Wind project. Performed in depth research and file review on state licensing issues. Created detailed project permitting overview. Drafted legal memoranda on NEPA litigation, libel, and commercial litigation issues. Drafted contracts, licenses and easements. Performed site analysis for energy project development, including criteria such as resource availability, political feasibility, and local energy pricing. Analyzed legal issues and financial models for equity investment opportunities in energy and telecommunications.

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY, Boston, MA

Summer Clerk, Summer 2003

Researched and proposed alternate criteria for environmental need standards for energy transmission facilities, and generated related information request questions. Prepared memoranda concerning various aspects of utility rate cases, including pension expenses and rate design. Gained familiarity with generating and transmission facility site approval process. Attended department hearings and executive meetings. Contributed to internal draft decisions.

EDUCATION

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA

Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, May 2005

Honors: **Suffolk University Transnational Law Review**, Note Editor

Sargent Fellowship

Jurisprudence Award, Constitutional Law

Activities: Environmental Law Society, Vice-President

Power to the People Energy Law Forum, Moderator

The Green Gavel, SULLS Environmental Law Society Newsletter, Editor

Northeastern University, Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science, *magna cum laude*, June 2001

Major: Music *Minor:* Philosophy

Honors: High Honors Distinction, Music Department Award for Excellence

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Capturing the Power of Electric Restructuring, Chapter 3: Renewable Portfolio Standards

American Bar Association, Section of Environment, Energy and Natural Resources, Fall 2009.

Games in the Hothouse: Theoretical Dimensions in Climate Change

28 Suffolk Transnat'l L. Rev. 325-57, Summer 2005.

Personal Interests: music, film, judo and yoga, cooking, travel, and modern art and design.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN CALIFORNIA, MASSACHUSETTS, AND NEW YORK