



## **MATTHEW CAMPBELL SIDES**

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Matt advises lenders, tax equity investors and sponsors on the financing, acquisition, development, and construction of energy projects, including in connection with negotiating tax equity partnerships and lease investment structures.

Matt has significant experience representing construction and permanent lenders in traditional and USDA-guaranteed credit facilities for tax credit-backed renewable energy projects. He has reviewed project-level due diligence for hundreds of renewable energy project financings, which enables him to efficiently recognize and effectively address high-level issues that may present hurdles to client closings.

Prior to attending law school, Matt earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in real estate finance and development and had a successful banking career in Charlotte, NC. He gained valuable

experience in the areas of underwriting, origination and workouts of large credit facilities, which he uses in his day-to-day legal practice. Matt prides himself on his deal-oriented, business-minded, practical approach to assisting clients.

## **ADMISSIONS**

- South Carolina, 2013
- North Carolina, 2012

## **EDUCATION**

- University of South Carolina, J.D., 2012
- University of North Carolina, M.B.A., 2005
- Clemson University, B.S., 2003

## **RELATED CAPABILITIES**

- Energy Transition
- Infrastructure

## **EXPERIENCE**

- Assisted in representing a lender in its first lead in a syndicated facility in the renewable space. A construction facility, ITC bridge facility, back-leverage facility and letter of credit facilities were provided for a 200 MW AC solar facility in Georgia, the largest standalone solar project in the southeast.
- Assisted in representing the construction lender, ITC bridge lender, back-leverage lender, and PPA L/C issuer in the financing of a 52MW solar project that will generate enough energy to power two of a company's four theme parks in Central Florida.
- Represented an infrastructure fund with the creation of a \$100 million facility to acquire and develop behind the meter utility grade natural gas genset projects which provide clean, reliable, and quiet backup power to commercial and industrial sites, while also having the ability to generate revenue through aggregation and connection to the grid.

- Assisted in the representation of a lender in the construction and permanent financing of 45MW of solar installations in Minnesota under the Community Solar Garden program.
- Assisted in representing a lender in financing the first renewable natural gas injection project in North Carolina. The project aggregates biogas at five contiguous swine farms and transports it to a utility-owned and -operated power plant to generate renewable electricity.
- Assisted in representing the lender in financing 12 lithium-ion battery solar-plus-storage systems. Opting to include an energy storage component while providing clean electricity to avoid higher peak energy costs, the electric cooperative will pass the savings on to its member-owners.

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