

Mark I. Wiranowski

Associate

Mark Wiranowski's practice focuses on corporate and commercial transactions in the energy, communications and information technology industries, as well cutting edge transactional and regulatory matters in those sectors. Mr. Wiranowski advises utilities on the development and acquisition of infrastructure, including wind, solar, battery and microgrid projects. He also advises telecommunications companies and investors on cell tower and other telecommunications transactions. In addition, he represents public and private companies and investors in matters of corporate governance, private equity and debt financings, recapitalizations, mergers and acquisitions, licensing, manufacturing, other commercial transactions and related real property transactions.

His clients include gas and electric utilities, telecommunications companies and emerging and established private companies focused on technology and business innovations – among others, smart grid and energy use, Internet of Things, cybersecurity, commercial solar, advanced batteries, chemical sensors, critical infrastructure inspection, drone applications, advanced refrigeration, industrial wastewater solutions, on demand and “as-a-service” companies and online investing platforms.

In 2017, Mark was named to the Colorado 2017 Super Lawyers® Rising Stars list.

Representative transactions include:

- lead outside transactional counsel to investor-owned utility for the build-transfer of a 60 MW wind project
- lead outside transactional counsel to investor-owned utility for the development and construction of a solar-battery-microgrid project
- counsel to marketing analytics company Datalogix, Inc. in its sale to Oracle Corp.
- counsel to Internet-of-things company Revolv Inc. in its sale to Google Nest
- counsel to video ad platform SpotXchange, Inc. in its sale of a 65% stake to RTL Group
- counsel to medical device company Lanx, Inc. in its sale to Biomet, Inc.
- counsel to nut butter and candy company Justin's, LLC in \$47 million investment by VMG Partners
- counsel to email company SendGrid, Inc. in \$20 million investment by Bain Capital and Foundry Group
- debt counsel to private lender on long-term and construction loans for small U.S. commercial solar projects
- corporate and securities counsel to two online platforms connecting investors and emerging companies
- counsel to pharmaceutical company in negotiation of first contract manufacturing arrangement for novel drug therapy
- counsel to energy, tech and natural foods emerging companies and investors in dozens of venture capital and growth equity financings from seed investments to late stage growth equity investments
- counsel for restructuring, spin-out and recapitalizations in a variety of complex structures
- commercial transactions, including EPC and O&M contracts, supply contracts and licensing agreements
- commercial and project-specific leases, easements, license and option agreements



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BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado, 2012

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Colorado School of Law, 2012 - Valedictorian
 M.P.P., Harvard Kennedy School of Government, 2004
 B.A., Princeton University, 1995

PRACTICE AREAS

Corporate & Commercial Transactions
 Electric Power
 Energy Regulation
 Grid Modernization
 State Regulation
 Tower Siting & Infrastructure
 Wireless Communications

PUBLICATIONS AND EVENTS

"Renewable Energy Contracts Clinic," course instructor, Golden, CO, October 13, 2016.

"Drones and Utilities: Building the Business Case for Utilities," Kinetic webinar series, panel moderator (with panelists from Exelon, San Diego Gas & Electric and PPL Electric Utilities), February 25, 2016.

"Drones and Utilities: Policy and Regulations," Kinetic webinar series, co-presenter with Rachel Wolkowitz, February 18, 2016.

"A Good Time to Double Down and Data Analytics and Network Capabilities," Mark Wiranowski. Published in the Utilities Telecom Council Journal, Q4 2015.

"Innovation on the Electric Grid," moderator of panel at Denver Startup Week, October 2, 2015. Panelists included Xcel Energy, RES Americas, NREL Energy Systems Integration, Spirae, Vision Ridge Partners.

"Big Data: Opportunities and Constraints For Gas Utilities," Mark Wiranowski and Susan Bergles. Presented at the American Gas Association Legal Forum, July 20, 2015.

"Competitive Smart Grid Pilots: A Means to Overcome Incentive and Informational Problems" by Mark Wiranowski. (2012) Colorado Journal on Telecommunications and High Technology Law