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Education

J.D., Yale Law School, 2004
M.Sc., London School of Economics, 2001
B.A., University of Virginia, 2000

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia
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Government Service

Law Clerk, Hon. Morris Sheppard Arnold, U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit (2004-2005)

Experience

Adjunct Professor, Handong International Law School
Guest Lecturer, China University of Political Science and Law

Alex Cooke represents developers, private equity funds, infrastructure funds and other investors in mergers and acquisitions, financings, and development of energy and infrastructure projects.

Mr. Cooke has advised on a number of high-profile transactions, including:

- Shelf Drilling in its \$1.05 billion acquisition of shallow water drilling rigs from Transocean Ltd. — which received the highest ranking in the Corporate & Commercial category in the Financial Times' 2013 U.S. Innovative Lawyers report — and in its subsequent financings, including a \$350 million term loan B in 2013, a \$502.8 million debt-for-debt exchange offer in January 2017, \$900 million in notes offerings in February and June 2018, a \$225 million corporate revolver arranged by RBC Europe Limited and ING Bank N.V. in June 2018, an \$80 million notes offering in February 2020 and a \$310 million notes offering in March 2021;
- InterGen N.V. in its sale of its Mexico business for an enterprise value of \$1.26 billion, which included 2.2 GW of combined-cycle gas turbine projects, a 155 MW wind project with partner IEnova, three gas compression stations and a 65 km gas pipeline. This transaction was named *IJGlobal's* 2018 Latin American M&A Deal of the Year and *Latin Lawyer's* 2018 Deal of the Year – Private M&A;
- Pattern Energy Group LP in the tax-equity financing of its 1,050 MW Western Spirit wind generation projects in New Mexico, which was named *IJGlobal's* 2020 North America Renewables – Onshore Wind Deal of the Year;
- Pattern Energy Group 2 LP in the tax-equity financing of its 220.5 MW Grady wind generation project and in the sale of the Class B interests in the project to Pattern Energy Group Inc. and the Public Sector Pension Investment Board;
- Pattern Energy Group LP in the construction and term financing of its 324 MW Broadview wind generation projects and 35-mile 345 kV Western Interconnect transmission line in New Mexico and Texas, in the sale of such projects to Pattern Energy Group Inc. for \$269 million and the sale of 49% of the Class B interests in the wind generation projects to the Public Sector Pension Investment Board, and in the tax-equity financing of the wind generation projects. The transmission line financing was named *IJGlobal's* 2016 North America Transmission Deal of the Year;
- Emera Inc. in its sale of Emera Maine, its regulated electric transmission and distribution company in Maine, to ENMAX Corporation for an enterprise value of \$1.3 billion;
- Pattern Energy Group Inc. in its \$346 million acquisition of 200 MW Post Rock and 150 MW Lost Creek wind generation projects in Kansas and Missouri from Wind Capital Group;
- NextEra Energy Partners, LP in its \$467 million IPO of common units representing limited partner interests;
- First Solar, Inc. in its sale of the 250 MW Silver State South solar generation project to NextEra Energy Resources;
- Citizens Energy's subsidiaries in their private placement debt financings totaling approximately \$129 million of leasehold interests in electric transmission lines in southern California; and
- First Solar, Inc. in the \$1.74 billion debt financing (which was partially guaranteed by the U.S. Department of Energy) of the 550 MW Desert Sunlight solar photovoltaic project in California, named by *Project Finance* as the North American Solar Deal of the Year for 2011.