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Stephen Luttrell is a shareholder in Baker Donelson's Baltimore office and a member of the Corporate Group.

Stephen Luttrell concentrates his practice in environmental, renewable and solar energy, and commercial transactions. He counsels renewable energy developers through site control negotiations, power purchase agreements, regulatory approvals, service agreements, project financing, procurement, and construction contracts.

Mr. Luttrell regularly represents solar developers, engineering, procurement and construction contractors, and public and private entities seeking to meet zero emission and sustainability goals. He has represented clients in the development of utility scale projects, rooftop and ground-mounted community solar projects, and the ground-up development and financing of multiple projects in a combined project portfolio. Mr. Luttrell represents property owners, developers, and businesses, seeking to install and operate EV chargers at their locations including negotiation of EV Charger interconnection agreements, site lease agreements, construction contracts, and power purchase agreements.

Mr. Luttrell has more than a decade of experience guiding companies through environmental aspects of commercial transactions, including due diligence, contract negotiation, and risk mitigation measures. He counsels regulated entities on matters related to environmental compliance, regulatory enforcement, environmental litigation, and toxic torts. He provides strategic advice regarding federal and state solid and hazardous waste laws, Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, CERCLA and state equivalents, and various environmental and land use permitting programs.

Representative Matters

- Represented a Mid-Atlantic community solar developer through the development of a multi-project rooftop solar portfolio.
- Served as outside general counsel to a large engineering, procurement, and construction contractor developing utility and community solar-scale projects in the Mid-Atlantic, Northeast, and Upper Midwest.
- Represented a utility-scale solar developer in connection with site control agreements, environmental permitting, and regulatory approvals.
- Represented a Maryland agrivoltaics ground-mounted community solar project developer through project financing with a local green bank and other development tasks.
- Represented multiple warehouse and logistics companies through development of rooftop solar projects.
- Represented a large family held corporation in multimillion-dollar regulatory enforcement action brought by the Maryland Department of the Environment.
- Lead environmental counsel in an acquisition of an aggregate supply company for hundreds of millions of dollars.
- Represented a waste incinerator in a multi-year criminal investigation and enforcement action brought by state and federal regulatory authorities.
- Served as environmental litigation counsel in a multimillion-dollar emerging contaminant toxic tort suit brought by a public water supplier.

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Professional Honors & Activities

- Chair Maryland State Bar Association, Energy and Environment Section (2023 2024)
- Board Member, Governance Committee Chair SOBAR
- Leadership Howard County, Leadership Premier Class of 2022
- Member New Jersey State Bar Association
- Member Pennsylvania State Bar Association
- Board Interstate Cemetery Corporation
- Board Matthew N. Zolotor Scholarship Fund
- Selected to New Jersey Rising Stars in Environmental (2018 2019)

Publications

- "Final Energy Credit Regulations Under Section 48" (December 2024)
- "Clean Energy Credits Under the Inflation Reduction Act: Credit Sales and Prevailing Wage Bonus" (September 2024)
- "Legal Intricacies of Sustainable Energy," InterGlobix Magazine (September 2021)
- "Maryland Community Solar Projects, Impediments to Growth," Maryland Bar Journal, Volume 3, Issue 1 (July 2021)

Speaking Engagements

- Panelist "Recent Developments in Environmental and Energy Law," Maryland State Bar Association 2024 Legal Summit & Annual Meeting (June 2024)
- Panelist "In this Economy? Building Solar and Storage against the Headwinds of Inflation and Supply Chain Constraints," CHESSA Solar Focus Conference (November 2022)
- Moderator "Shining a Light on Green Project Finance for Common Ownership Communities in Montgomery County," Montgomery County Green Bank Webinar (October 2021)
- "Expanding the Market for Energy Performance Contractors," Montgomery County Green Bank Webinar (September 2021)

Education

- Villanova University School of Law, J.D., 2011, cum laude
- James Madison University, B.S., 2002

Admissions

- Maryland, 2021
- New Jersey, 2012
- Pennsylvania, 2011
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey