

NCSEA's 2018 Continuing Legal Education (CLE):

Clean Energy Project Development in North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina & Georgia

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Course Goal:

This CLE will explore the multiple legal issues involved in renewable energy law from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Virginia. This day long continuing legal education program (CLE) will focus on the mechanics of renewable energy for attorneys and business professionals by examining timely subjects in each of these four states. The CLE will also include a discussion of federal clean energy topics within the U.S. Department of Energy and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

CLE Credits:

All attendees will receive 6 general North Carolina CLE credits.

Course Objectives:

- Provide attendees with an annual update on regulatory and legislative developments impacting clean energy in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia;
- Provide attendees current information that will be useful in the year ahead for renewable energy issues in these four states;
- Provide attendees with a deep dive into North Carolina HB 589 implementation, federal issues impacting clean energy action as well as state utility commission proceedings on clean energy issues.

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Course Agenda

9:00 – 9:15 A.M.

Welcome & Course Introduction

Gray Styers, Partner, Smith Moore Leatherwood

- Goals of the Course
- Agenda Overview

9:15 – 10:15 A.M.

Federal Issues Impacting Clean Energy: What to Watch for in 2018

Moderator: Steven Shparber, Of Counsel, Nelson Mullins

Kim Duffley, Attorney, NC Utilities Commission

Todd Glass, Partner, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

Katherine Ross, Partner, Parker Poe

This panel will discuss federal clean energy issues and project-related filings made at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Specific topics include the solar investment tax credit, the solar tariff case associated with the ITC “injury”, the U.S. Department of Energy, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) directing FERC to accurately price generation sources necessary to maintain grid reliability and resilience, changes with PURPA and recent court cases.

10:15 – 10:30 A.M.

Break

10:30 – 11:30 A.M.

North Carolina Legal Issues Surrounding HB 589 Implementation

Moderator: Chris Ayers, Executive Director, NC Utilities Commission - Public Staff

Peter Stein, Staff Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center

Brett Breitschwerdt, Partner, McGuireWoods

Gray Styers, Partner, Smith Moore Leatherwood

This is the first of two North Carolina panels. The discussion will include considerations related to HB 589 implementation, including rules related to the solar RFP procurement, PURPA reform, third party leasing, Green Source Rider, community solar and PV solar. The panel will also cover the wind moratorium provisions of HB 589.

11:30 A.M. –
12:30 P.M.

South Carolina Legal Considerations

Moderator: Colin Tarrant, Partner, Smith Moore Leatherwood

Ben Snowden, Counsel, Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton

Tyson Grinstead, Director, Public Policy, Sunrun

Blan Holman, Managing Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center

This South Carolina panel includes discussion of the following items: interconnection, SCANA reform, utilities commission reform, and the abandonment of the V.C. Summer nuclear facility. This panel will also review the implementation of Act 236 - the renewable energy legislation passed in 2014. The legislation addresses several major aspects of renewable energy development in South Carolina and is expected to spur installation of around 200 MW of renewable energy capacity by 2020.

12:30 – 1:30 P.M.

Lunch



1:30 – 2:30 P.M.	<p>Georgia Legal Considerations</p> <p><i>Moderator: Scott Thomasson, Southeast Director, Vote Solar</i> Stephanie Stuckey, Chief Resilience Officer, City of Atlanta Jim Kerr, Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer, Southern Company Lee Peterson, Senior Manager, Renewable Energy, CohnReznick</p> <p>This panel will discuss current issues in the State of Georgia. The discussion will include implementation of HB 57, the Solar Power Free-Market Financing Act of 2015, the City of Atlanta’s 100 percent renewable energy goal by 2030, the impact of the Vogtle nuclear project on new renewables, and a look toward 2019 and trends to watch.</p>
2:30 – 2:45 P.M.	<p>Break</p>
2:45 – 3:45 P.M.	<p>Virginia Legal Considerations</p> <p><i>Moderator: Eric Hurlocker, Co-Managing Partner, GreeneHurlocker</i> Beth Trahos, Partner, Nelson Mullins Lisa Moerner, Director of Corporate Public Policy, Dominion Resources Matt Gooch, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General of Virginia</p> <p>This panel will explore current issues in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The discussion will include an overview of Virginia’s renewable energy market, rulemaking for the state equivalent of the former federal Clean Power Plan, land use issues, and other clean energy updates.</p>
3:45 – 4:45 P.M.	<p>North Carolina Remaining Legal Issues</p> <p><i>Moderator: Patrick Buffkin, Attorney, NC Utilities Commission</i> Heather Smith, Deputy General Counsel, Duke Energy Karen Kemerait, Attorney, Smith Moore Leatherwood Thad Culley, Regional Director, Vote Solar</p> <p>This is the second of the two North Carolina panels. Discussion will include considerations related to North Carolina’s current interconnection rules, directed biogas and the renewable natural gas standard, power purchase agreements and the Duke Energy rate cases.</p>
4:45 – 5:00 P.M.	<p>Wrap Up & Conclusion</p> <p>Peter Ledford, General Counsel, NC Sustainable Energy Association</p>



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