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Luke Hagedorn is passionate about assisting clients with providing diverse, affordable, and reliable energy to their customers. Luke's dedication to understanding the complex and changing statutes and regulations that govern the energy industry allows him to work with public utility, renewable energy, oil and gas, and end-user companies to address the unique legal needs that arise out of generation, production or consumption of energy and natural resources.

Over the course of his development as an energy attorney, Luke has been struck by the fascinating interplay between business considerations, politics, economics, and regulatory concerns that form the core of the United States' energy policy. Luke's understanding of these complicated facets allows him to help companies navigate the complex legal issues that arise at every stage of an energy project's life.

By focusing his practice in both transactional and regulatory aspects of energy projects, Luke strives to provide well-rounded guidance relating to clients' current legal needs, as well as efficiently identify and mitigate potential complications that might arise down the road.

In addition to his legal work, Luke founded a blog, [RenewableEnergyLawInsider.com](http://RenewableEnergyLawInsider.com), in 2011 in an effort to remain on the cutting-edge of the business and legal issues that impact his clients' daily lives.

## Education

- University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2009)
  - The Urban Lawyer, Articles Editor
- Saint Louis University (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2006)
  - English Literature; Presidential Scholar

## Bar Admissions

- Missouri, 2009
- Kansas, 2010

## Capabilities

- Energy
- Public Utilities & Energy Consumers
- Renewable Energy Project Development
- Energy Transactions

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- Representation of developers, lenders and investors in the development and financing of more than 30 wind, solar and battery storage energy projects throughout the U.S., totaling more than \$10 billion in debt and tax equity financings.
- Land use, development and permitting counsel for dozens of wind and solar generation projects in various states.
- Representation of multiple foreign and domestic funds & lenders related to project and portfolio due diligence in anticipation of investments in renewable energy projects.
- Project development and tax counsel to multiple renewable energy developers in several states.
- Representation of multi-national Fortune 100 company in request for proposal process and negotiation of multiple Virtual Power Purchase Agreements related to its offset of carbon energy usage with renewable energy through fixed-for-floating swap contracts.
- Representation of leading renewable energy developer in tax equity financings of five wind projects in Kansas and Missouri, totaling 850 MW and more than \$1.5 billion in tax equity financings.
- Representation of a wind developer in the financing of a 200-megawatt wind project in Missouri, with total project costs in excess of \$334 million.
- Representation of a wind developer in the financing of a portfolio of Kansas wind energy projects representing more than 415 megawatts of nameplate capacity with total project costs in excess of \$681 million.
- Representation of a wind developer in the financing of a 178-megawatt wind project in Kansas, with total project costs in excess of \$296 million.
- Representation of lenders in the financing of a portfolio of wind power assets totaling 299 megawatts of wind energy capacity in Kansas, with total project costs in excess of \$475 million.
- Representation of a wind developer in the \$265 million financing of a 165-megawatt wind project in Kansas, with total project costs in excess of \$325 million.
- Representation of lenders in the \$350 million financing of a 201-megawatt wind project in Kansas, with total project costs in excess of \$425 million.
- Representation of lenders in the \$240 million financing of a 150-megawatt Missouri wind project.
- Assisted public utility with the presentation of one of the largest rate cases in Kansas history involving cost recovery for the construction of a \$2.4 billion dollar coal plant.
- Assisted public utility seeking preapproval from the Kansas Corporation Commission for the ratemaking treatment of a \$1.2 billion environmental retrofit for an existing coal plant, including the preparation and presentation of a cost-benefit analysis of pursuing a retrofit as opposed to constructing other forms of new generation.
- Assisted a public utility with the design and implementation of its solar program, including designing streamlined processes and procedures for the review, processing, and approval of net metering and incentive applications.