

## Jonathan Kendrick

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### Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties

Energy & Natural Resources Law; Real Estate; Inflation Reduction Act;  
Solar & Renewable Energy Law



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Jon Kendrick is a Senior Counsel in Buchalter's Sacramento office, and a member of the firm's Energy & Natural Resources and Real Estate Practice Groups.

As a member of Buchalter's Energy & Natural Resources Practice Group, Jon advises clients in transactional, regulatory and compliance issues for energy-related matters. Jon's practice includes negotiating power purchase agreements, solar leases, and other business arrangements, and performing regulatory due diligence for project sales, acquisitions, and financing. Jon helps clients navigate California's ever-evolving regulatory environment and renewable energy incentive programs. Such work involves representing clients in matters before the California Energy Commission (CEC) related to energy efficiency standards, grant programs, and power plant siting. Jon also represents large power users in matters before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Jon advises clients on clean energy and climate change aspects of the Inflation Reduction Act and its impact on transactions, regulatory ramifications and tax credit benefits, including ITC, PTC and the newly added credits for storage and other technologies.

Jon's real estate practice focuses on commercial real estate transactions, including commercial leasing and purchases and sales. Jon represents various clients including developers, lenders, investors, landlords, and tenants. Jon has helped structure, draft, and negotiate real estate transactions for a variety of projects including warehouse distribution hubs, utility-scale and commercial/industrial solar, healthcare facilities and medical offices, manufacturing facilities, retail stores, mixed-use, and commercial offices.

Jon has been recognized as a Top Lawyer by *Sacramento Magazine* in the fields of Energy & Natural Resources (2022, 2023) and Real Estate (2023). He was also recognized as a Northern California *Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" in 2023.

### Representative Matters

- Advised developer of energy projects on changes to energy-related tax credits made by the Inflation Reduction Act.
- Represented clients in settlement negotiations with the California Energy Commission.
- Negotiated solar leases on behalf of landowners for utility-scale solar projects.
- Represented major retailers in negotiating warehouse distribution hub and retail location leases.
- Assisted biodiesel wholesaler in setting up California operations.
- Advised large healthcare provider on both the tenant and landlord sides of medical office space leasing.
- Represented groups of large power users in ratemaking and rulemaking proceedings before the California Public Utilities Commission.
- Advised independent power producer in the repowering of existing power plants.

- Advised geothermal power plant owner on the drafting, interpretation, and revision of contract terms related to existing and proposed Power Purchase Agreements.
- Represented independent power producer in dispute with utility over power purchase agreement.
- Represented developer in connection with development of new retail locations with a major coffee chain as anchor tenant.
- Provided legal advice to consumer product manufacturing trade group on California's Proposition 65 law and regulations.
- Perform regulatory due-diligence associated with project sales, acquisitions, and financing.

## **Publications**

- The Grandfathering Deadline for NEM 2.0 is Rapidly Approaching – What Does it Mean?, *Buchalter Client Alert*, March 9, 2023
- CPUC Issues Net Energy Metering Proposed Decision, With Comments Due November 30, *Buchalter Client Alert*, November 15, 2022
- Inflation Reduction Act Brings Big Changes to Clean Energy Tax Incentives, *Buchalter Client Alert*, August 19, 2022
- CARB Releases Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update, May 13, 2022
- Keeping an Eye on San Francisco's Plans to Decarbonize Existing Commercial Buildings, *Buchalter Client Alert*, November 22, 2021

## **Presentations**

- Speaker, "Impact of Inflation Reduction Act after its 1st Year Anniversary," PERse 6th Annual Renewable Energy Summit, October 26, 2023
- Panelist, "Building Decarbonization Mandates in San Francisco and Across California," BOMA San Francisco's Webinar, August 17, 2022

## **Education**

Mr. Kendrick received his J.D. from the University of California, Davis School of Law, and received his B.A., in International Political Economy from the University of Puget Sound.

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## **Bar Admissions**

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## **Community**

- Board Member, Courtyard Private School
- Member, San Francisco BOMA Government Affairs and Policy Advisory Committee (GAPAC)
- Member, American Cancer Society Capitol Invitational Partnership Council
- Member, Leadership Sacramento – Class of 2020
- Recipient, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Northern California Chapter (Sacramento) Tomorrow's Leader Award, 2019
- Peace Corps Volunteer, Ukraine, 2004-2006