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Gene Elrod advises domestic and international energy companies on complex regulatory matters and related commercial issues. He represents owners of energy assets across the oil, natural gas and power sectors. His clients have included a diverse mix of oil and gas producers, pipelines, storage and local distribution companies, electric utilities and other participants in wholesale power markets, and large industrial consumers of electric power and natural gas.

Gene brings a sophisticated approach to regulatory matters based on his experience as a trial attorney at the Federal Power Commission (FERC's predecessor), where he worked on gas pipeline and electric utility matters. In his private practice, he has represented clients in proceedings at FERC, in state courts, and before state regulatory commissions, Canada's National Energy Board (now Canada Energy Regulator), and arbitral panels. He has also briefed and argued cases in federal and state appellate courts.

In addition, Gene regularly provides advice on regulatory issues arising in large-scale mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings and capital markets offerings. His clients have included publicly traded corporations, private equity firms and other energy-asset owners and investors.

Gene is ranked Band 1 in Energy: Oil & Gas (Regulatory & Litigation) in both *Chambers Global* and *Chambers USA*. According to commentators, "Eugene is a paragon of competence and top-notch lawyering" (*Chambers USA*, 2023) and "has deep institutional knowledge of FERC." (*Chambers USA*, 2024).

Gene has an active pro bono practice. Collaborating with the National Veterans Legal Services Program's "Lawyers Serving Warriors," he has represented veterans of the US Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines in obtaining medical, retirement and other benefits.

Industries

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Practices

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Credentials

Education

- Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1974
- Dartmouth College, A.B., 1971, *cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia

Affiliations

- American Bar Foundation, Life Fellow
- Law360, Energy Editorial Advisory Board, 2011 – 2023

Chambers Global

- Energy: Oil & Gas (Regulatory & Litigation), Band 1, 2005 – 2025

Chambers USA

- Nationwide Energy: Oil & Gas (Regulatory & Litigation), Band 1, 2010 – 2025
- District of Columbia Energy: Oil & Gas, Band 1, 2005 – 2009
- District of Columbia Energy & Natural Resources, 2003 – 2004

The Legal 500 United States

- Energy Regulation: Oil and Gas, 2016 – 2025 (Hall of Fame, 2022 – 2025; Leading Lawyer, 2016 – 2022)
- Energy Litigation: Oil and Gas, 2008 – 2018 (Leading Lawyer, 2008 – 2018)

BL Rankings

- *Best Lawyers*, Lawyer of the Year, Washington DC, Oil & Gas, 2014 and 2019
- *Best Lawyers*, Lawyer of the Year, Washington DC, Energy Regulatory, 2018
- *Best Lawyers*, Lawyer of the Year, Washington DC, Energy, 2014

Lawdragon Inc.

- *Lawdragon 500 Leading US Energy Lawyers*, Energy Regulation & Litigation, 2024 – 2025

International Law Office

- Client Choice Award, Energy & Natural Resources, 2015

ALM Media Properties

- *National Law Journal*, Energy & Environmental Trailblazers, 2015

Publications & Speeches

- Co-Author, “FERC Compliance and Enforcement,” LexisNexis, *Regulation of the Gas Industry*, 2016 - 2023.
- Co-Author, *Energy Regulatory and Markets Review*, 12th Edition, 2023.