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Tamara McKinzie represents commercial clients in the energy, retail, office, financial, healthcare and renewable power sectors with the acquisition, development, financing and divestiture of real estate projects. Her experience includes drafting and negotiation of complex commercial lease and purchase and sale contracts, as well as project finance and construction agreements. Tamara routinely advises investors, developers and utilities on the structuring of mixed use, multifamily and industrial transactions and resolving issues related to zoning and other land use restrictions. She also advises other counsel in portfolio purchases, joint venture agreements and secured and unsecured credit transactions.

Tamara has also represented borrowers and lenders in both commercial and consumer transactions, including the preparation and negotiation of loan agreements, security instruments, and disclosures required by both state and federal law.

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Experience

IREN Ltd. f/k/a Iris Energy Ltd.

- real estate counsel in the negotiation, acquisition and development of multiple next-generation data centers, to be powered by 100 percent renewable energy for purposes of Bitcoin mining, AI cloud services and other power-dense compute. Our representation includes the negotiation and closing of purchase contracts and the review of all title and survey matters, site plans, zoning and permitting issues, including curative and/or encumbrance mitigation work.

Rockland Power Partners II, LP and Rockland Power Partners III, LP

- sale of a portfolio of six gas-fired power generation facilities, including one combined-cycle unit and five peaker units, in ERCOT to NRG Texas, LLC

Equinor

- real estate counsel in the negotiation of purchase and sales agreements and conditional grant agreements with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) in support of the 1,260 MW Empire Wind 2 and the 1,230 MW Beacon Wind projects

Halcón Resources Corporation

- \$325 million divestiture of water infrastructure assets across the Delaware Basin to a subsidiary of WaterBridge Resources LLC

Global Infrastructure Partners

- majority position in a preferred equity investment of up to \$250 million in Caprock Midstream to fund the expansion of Caprock's natural gas gathering and processing assets in the Permian Basin. Advised client regarding real estate interests in the assets, negotiated relevant terms in transaction documents, and secured all necessary items necessary for clean title to the real estate assets.

Alinda Capital Partners

- sale of NorTex Midstream Partners, LLC, a company owned by funds managed by Alinda that own Texas gas storage facilities, to a subsidiary of Castleton Commodities International LLC. Advised client regarding the real estate interests and negotiated relevant terms in transaction documents.

Credentials

Education

- South Texas College of Law - Houston, J.D., 2005, *summa cum laude*, *Valedictorian*
- Sam Houston State University, B.S., 1999

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Affiliations

- State Bar of Texas

- Houston Young Lawyers Foundation, Lifetime Fellow; Adopt-an-Angel Program, 2012-2016; Co-Chair of the Annual 5K Fun Run, 2009-2011
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Recognition

Chambers USA

- Texas Real Estate, 2024 – 2025

BL Rankings

- *Best Lawyers*, Real Estate Law, 2024 – 2025

South Texas College of Law Houston

- *South Texas Law Review*

South Texas College of Law Houston

- *Order of the Lytae*

First Court of Appeals

- Judicial Intern