

# Sidley Adds Energy Team in New York and D.C.

**Sidley Austin LLP** announced the addition of Tara Higgins and Noreen Phelan as partners, and Chris Hutchison as a senior associate, to its global Energy and Infrastructure practice.

Higgins is based in Sidley's New York office, and Phelan and Hutchison are based in Sidley's Washington, D.C. office. They joined from Orrick, where Higgins was co-head of the global Power practice and Phelan was a partner in the Energy and Infrastructure practice.

"We are excited to add Tara, Noreen and Chris to the Sidley Energy and Infrastructure team," said Cliff Vrielink, global leader of Sidley's Energy and Infrastructure practice. "Their extensive experience and reputation in the renewable energy and conventional power industries further bolsters our ability to help clients in these complex, capital intensive industries. Tara, Noreen and Chris are well-known for helping clients execute market-leading transactions."

In a release, the firm said this group of lawyers closed three of the largest M&A deals in the U.S. renewables market in 2018, as well as a number of other M&A transactions and financings for hydroelectric and conventional power assets.