

Sherri A. Wellman

SERVICE AREAS

Business

- Oil + Gas
- Energy, Environmental + Regulatory
- Energy, Telecom + Public Utilities

Governments + Nonprofits

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EDUCATION

- Thomas M. Cooley Law School, J.D.
- Western Michigan University, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Michigan



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Specializing in energy and telecommunications law, Sherri A. Wellman practices before the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC). She represents electric, gas and telecommunications utilities and other business clients in all aspects of regulatory and corporate transactions.

Sherri files pleadings on behalf of her clients, represents them in hearings and settlement conferences, and keeps them up to date on MPSC-related statutes, rules and regulations and orders. At the appellate level, she defends or challenges MPSC orders in the courts.

"Effective representation means first identifying the problems and then resolving them with the most beneficial outcome in mind. My clients' interests are my top priority. I make it a point to return all calls immediately and be available to my clients whenever they need me."

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EXPERIENCE

In two related cases before the Michigan Public Service Commission, Sherri successfully defended a natural gas utility against challenges to its gas purchasing practices by Michigan's Attorney General and a residential consumer group. In all, the utility faced disallowances in excess of \$10 million. Thanks to the work of Sherri and her team, the MPSC totally rejected the challenges in both cases.

"Based on our defenses, in the form of rebuttal testimony, cross-examination and briefs, the MPSC found that it was 'not persuaded' by any of the proposed disallowances."

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association, Public Utility Law Section, Forum on Franchising
- State Bar of Michigan, Administrative Law Section
- Ingham County Bar Association

HONORS + AWARDS

- Best Lawyers in America, Energy Law 2007-present; Natural Resources Law 2012; 2012 Lansing Natural Resources Lawyer of the Year

PUBLICATIONS

"Repeal of Michigan Public Service Commission Authority Regarding Utility Securities and Water Companies," Ingham County Bar Association Briefs, April 1996

"New Opportunities Available for Entry into the Local Telephone Market," Ingham County Bar Association Briefs, January 1991

"Contemplating Competition: A New Era of Michigan Telecommunications," Michigan Bar Journal, November 1998

NEWS

- 11 Miller Canfield Lawyers named "Best Lawyers of the Year"