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Maureen Helmer concentrates her practice on energy and telecommunications law as well as corporate and professional ethics and the New York State Legislature.

Maureen has had an expansive career touching on a broad range of issues related to New York energy and telecommunications law. She led the NYS Public Service Commission (PSC) during a time of sweeping change in the telecommunications and energy industries. A key goal during her tenure was the development of rational market rules that would nurture innovation and reduce barriers to competition while maintaining reliable service. It was with this goal in mind that she took on a leadership role in increasing coordination between New York and its neighboring US and Canadian ISOs and RTOs. During this initiative, she was a vocal advocate for resolving “seams” issues and enhancing regional reliability.



In addition to her work during the restructuring of the energy and telecommunications markets, Maureen's involvement in critical infrastructure issues post-9/11 has led to ongoing national involvement in security and cybersecurity issues. She was recently added to the Board of the Center for Internet Security, a not-for-profit organization focused on enhancing the cybersecurity readiness and response of public and private sector entities.

Since leaving government, Maureen has applied her experience to assist clients of all sizes as they invest and grow in the country's energy and telecommunications markets. She provides strategic advice regarding relevant regulatory and legislative environments and gives clients the assistance needed to impact policies that foster investment and obtain the necessary regulatory approvals. As a demonstration of her leadership capacity, Maureen serves as a Regulatory Practice Area co-chair.

In furtherance of Maureen's commitment to diversity, she is an active participant in the firm's Women's Forum, as well as a founding member, former president, and current board member of New York Women in Communications and Energy.