Attorney or Senior Attorney (Energy)

The Institute for Policy Integrity (www.policyintegrity.org) is seeking applicants for attorney or senior attorney positions with a focus on energy law.

About Policy Integrity:

Policy Integrity is a non-partisan think tank housed at New York University School of Law dedicated to improving the quality of governmental decisionmaking through legal advocacy and academic scholarship in the fields of administrative law, cost-benefit analysis, and public policy. Policy Integrity’s interdisciplinary mission focuses on the rational use of economic analysis in government decisionmaking and how tools like cost-benefit analysis can improve policy design. Policy Integrity’s portfolio covers a range of issue areas, with an emphasis on federal- and state-level energy policies and federal environmental protections.

Position Summary:

Policy Integrity is seeking 1-2 attorneys or senior attorneys to be key members of a diverse team to advocate for the efficient decarbonization of the energy system. The attorneys will work closely with Policy Integrity’s economists and lawyers to advance federal and state energy policies. Our focus areas include wholesale electricity market design, energy infrastructure including transmission and natural gas pipelines, distributed energy resources, and energy justice. Depending on interest and need, the attorney will also have the opportunity to work on select Policy Integrity projects outside of the area of energy policy. This position will report to Policy Integrity’s Co-Executive Director who also leads our energy policy work.

Responsibilities:

- Track and analyze emerging issues in energy law and policy at the federal and state level
- Draft regulatory comments, petitions for rulemakings, and other formal submissions to agencies, including, but not limited to, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Department of Energy, and state public utility commissions
- Represent Policy Integrity in partnerships with other academic institutions, think tanks, and non-governmental organizations
- Author reports and academic papers
- Draft op-eds, respond to media inquiries, and post on social media regarding Policy Integrity’s work related to federal energy regulatory issues
- Draft amicus briefs to the Supreme Court, DC Circuit, and other courts in major energy and environmental cases
- Supervise research assistants and students in NYU School of Law’s Regulatory Policy Clinic

Qualifications:

- JD, with superior academic achievement
- 3+ years of legal experience for attorney candidates, 6+ years of legal experience for senior attorney candidates
• Excellent writing skills
• Specialized experience in electricity law, either in FERC or state utility proceedings, is required
• Good understanding of energy markets and regulation is strongly preferred
• Specialized knowledge in environmental law, administrative law, or economics; clerkships; litigation experience; legislative experience; or advanced degrees in relevant disciplines are valued, but not necessary

Policy Integrity is committed to a culture in which all people are welcomed, respected, supported, and valued to fully participate. We welcome and encourage applications from diverse applicants, and we consider multiple aspects of diversity. New York University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Benefits and Terms of Employment:

In compliance with NYC’s Pay Transparency Act, the annual base salary range for the Attorney position is $90,000 - $100,000, or $105,000 - $140,000 for the Senior Attorney position. New York University considers factors such as (but not limited to) scope and responsibilities of the position, candidate's work experience, education/training, key skills, internal peer equity, as well as market and organizational considerations when extending an offer.

The benefits are generous. The staff attorney will also have access to academic enrichment opportunities at NYU School of Law, including some faculty workshops, colloquia, and other scholarly forums.

To Apply:

Interested attorneys should send:

(1) a cover letter detailing your interest in the position and your relevant electricity law experience,
(2) a brief statement on how your background or experiences would enhance the diversity, inclusivity, and perspectives of Policy Integrity,
(3) a resume,
(4) a law school transcript,
(5) one or two writing samples, with a preference for independently authored articles, briefs, memoranda, blog posts, public comments, reports, or other relevant writings, and
(6) the names of three references.

All materials should be sent to policyintegrity@gmail.com, with “Energy Attorney Application” in the subject line. The review of applications will begin November 15th, 2022. Position will be open until filled.