

Ron Moss

Shareholder

Practices: Energy Law; Public & Regulatory Law; Energy Regulatory
Industries: Energy

Ron Moss focuses his practice on litigation, both in the courts and before administrative agencies. His primary practice is utility law, with emphasis on representing utilities before regulatory commissions and in court appeals. Ron also counsels utility clients regarding regulatory impacts of business decisions. He has had extensive experience with the 1999 legislation introducing retail competition in the Texas electric market. In addition to utility matters, Ron has represented clients in environmental litigation and business litigation.

Representative Experience

Representative Administrative Agency Experience

- Represented electric utilities in numerous base rate cases and fuel reconciliation proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT), the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC), the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC)
- Represented purchaser of largest utility in Texas in PUCT approval proceeding
- Represented utility in PUCT and NMPRC proceedings to obtain approval to construct wind generating facilities
- Represented gas utilities in rate cases before the CPUC and MPUC
- Represented electric utility in revenue decoupling case before the CPUC
- Represented electric utility in PUCT stranded cost proceedings associated with the restructuring of the Texas electric market
- Represented electric utility in PUCT complaint proceedings involving qualifying facilities
- Represented electric utility in numerous complaint proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Represented electric utility in contested tariff revision proceedings before the PUCT
- Represented electric utility in Certificate of Convenience and Necessity proceedings before the PUCT
- Represented non-ERCOT electric utility in transmission cost recovery factor proceeding before the PUCT
- Represented electric utilities and retail electric providers in numerous PUCT rulemaking projects
- Represented retail electric provider in contested case proceedings at the PUCT
- Represented power generation company in complaint proceeding at the PUCT
- Represented parties in disputes with ERCOT
- Represented private transmission line owner in Competitive Renewable Energy Zone proceedings



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Education

University of Texas School of Law

- J.D., 1991
- *with high honors*
- Order of the Coif
- Phi Kappa Phi
- Director, Legal Research Board, 1990-1991
- Technical Editor, *Review of Litigation*

Northeastern State University

- B.A., 1982
- *with highest honors*
- M.A., 1985

- Advised clients regarding compliance with PUCT-related reporting requirements
- Represented incumbent local exchange carrier in Federal Telecommunications Act arbitration with competitive local exchange carriers regarding post-interconnection dispute

Representative Court Experience

- Argued utility-related cases before the Fifth Circuit, federal district court, Supreme Court of Texas and the Austin Court of Appeals
- Argued non-utility-related cases before the Austin Court of Appeals, the Houston First Court of Appeals, and the Texarkana Court of Appeals
- Argued numerous administrative appeals in the Travis County District Courts
- Represented electric utility in franchise fee dispute with cities
- Participated as first or second chair counsel in jury trials in Travis County, Harris County, and Jefferson County, Texas

Professional & Community Service

- State Bar of Texas (Administrative and Public Law Section; Appellate Section; Public Utility Law Section)
- Austin Bar Association (Administrative Law Section; Civil Appellate Section; Civil Litigation Section)
- American Bar Association (Litigation Section; Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law Section)
- Texas Utility Lawyers
- Gulf Coast Power Association
- Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas
- CASA of Travis County, Inc. (Board Member, 2003-2008)

Awards & Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White Inc., 2008-2020
- *The Best Lawyers in America* - "Lawyer of the Year" - Administrative/Regulatory Law, 2016-2018
- *Chamber USA Guide to America*, Chambers & Partners Publishing, 2011-2019
- Texas Super Lawyers, Thomson Reuters, 2014-2019

Admissions

- Texas, 1991
- New Mexico, 2017
- Colorado, 2018
- U.S. District Court Northern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court