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About Todd

Todd has over 30 years of experience representing investment banks and public and private companies in capital markets transactions. He has successfully guided clients through more than 250 public offerings of investment grade and high-yield debt securities, preferred and common stock and other hybrid securities, most notably in the energy, technology and life science sectors. Todd also advises on project financings, private placements and strategic investments, as well as on corporate governance matters, including policies and strategies to respond to changes in regulation.

Todd is ranked Band 1 in Energy: Electricity (Finance) in both *Chambers Global* (2016-2024) and *Chambers USA* (2015-2023). He has also been recognized in *The Legal 500 United States* for Energy: Transactions: Conventional Power (2019). According to 2021 *Chambers USA*, Todd "knows capital markets inside out and nothing ever slips through the cracks. The deal is always done right with Todd."

Recent Notable Matters

Evergy, Inc. — represented the initial purchasers on the 144A offering of \$1.4 billion of this issuer's convertible notes in December 2023

Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offerings by this issuer of (a) \$300 million of its first mortgage bonds in November 2023, (b) \$400 million of its first mortgage bonds in March 2023 and (c) \$500 million of its first mortgage bonds in April 2020

Textron Inc. — represented this issuer on its public offerings of (a) \$350 million of its notes in November 2023, (b) \$500 million of its notes in August 2020 and (c) \$650 million of its notes in March 2020

Spire Inc. — represented the sales agents on the ongoing at-the-market (ATM) public offering by this issuer of shares of its common stock beginning in May 2019 and renewed in May 2022, including represented the sole underwriter and forward counterparty on an overnight, block and bought offering of 1,744,549 such shares off this ATM program in June 2023

Evergy Metro, Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offerings by this issuer of (a) \$300 million of its mortgage bonds in March 2023 and (b) \$400 million of its mortgage bonds in May 2020

Spire Missouri Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offerings by this issuer of (a) \$400 million of its first mortgage bonds in February 2023, (b) \$300 million of its floating rate first mortgage bonds in December 2021 and (c) \$305 million of its first mortgage bonds in May 2021

Evergy Missouri West, Inc. — represented the initial purchasers on the 144A offerings by this issuer of (a) \$300 million of its first mortgage bonds in November 2022 and (b) \$250 million of its first mortgage bonds under its then new first mortgage indenture and deed of trust (as well as represented the purchasers of its outstanding senior notes in connection with the concurrent collateralization of such notes pursuant to the equal and ratable clauses under the related note purchase agreements) in March 2022

Evergy Missouri West, Inc. — represented the purchasers in a private placement of \$500 million of this issuer's senior notes in April 2021

Spire Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offering by this issuer of \$175 million in proceeds from the issuance of equity units consisting of purchase contracts for shares of its common stock and remarketable senior notes in February 2021

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation — represented the sales agents on the at-the-market public offering of this issuer's common stock beginning in August 2020

Spire Missouri Inc. — represented the dealer manager on the tender offer by this company for certain of its outstanding first mortgage bonds in June 2020

Evergy, Inc. — represented the underwriters on the inaugural public offering by this issuer of \$1.6 billion of its notes in September 2019

Westar Energy, Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offering by this issuer of \$300 million of its first mortgage bonds in August 2019*

Spire Inc. — represented the underwriters on the public offering by this issuer of \$250 million of depositary shares representing its perpetual preferred stock in May 2019, as well as the ongoing at-the-market offering of its common stock*

Textron Inc. — represented this issuer on the public offering of \$300 million of its notes in May 2019*

Kansas City Power & Light Company — represented the underwriters on the public offering by this issuer of \$400 million of its first mortgage bonds in March 2019*

Midwest Fertilizer Company LLC — represented this company on the ongoing development efforts to secure permanent financing for the construction of an approximately \$2 billion fertilizer project in southwestern Indiana, including on offerings and remarketings of \$1.259 billion of tax-exempt bonds*

* Work completed prior to Bracewell

Education

Columbia University School of Law, J.D.
1986

University of Minnesota, B.S.
1983 – *summa cum laude*

Noteworthy

Chambers Global, Energy: Electricity (Finance), 2016 – 2024; Capital Markets: Debt & Equity, 2007

Chambers USA, Nationwide Energy: Electricity (Finance), 2015 – 2023; Nationwide Capital Markets: Debt & Equity, 2007

The Legal 500 United States, Finance: Capital Markets: Debt Offerings, 2020 - 2022; Energy: Transactions: Conventional Power, 2019

Lawdragon Inc., *Lawdragon 500 Leading Dealmakers in America*, Capital Markets, Especially Energy, 2024

Lawdragon Inc., *Lawdragon 500 Leading US Energy Lawyers*, Energy Transactions, 2024

BL Rankings, *Best Lawyers*, Corporate Law, 2006 – 2021

Bar Admissions

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