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Former FERC adviser joins firm representing Dakota Access

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A former legal adviser at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has joined a law firm representing developers of the controversial \$3.78 billion Dakota Access oil pipeline triggering protests in North Dakota.



Michael Yuffee. Photo courtesy of Norton Rose Fulbright.

Michael Yuffee has joined Norton Rose Fulbright as a partner in the firm's Washington, D.C., office, where he will focus on regulatory, enforcement, defense, compliance and transactional matters related to energy and commodity markets.

Yuffee has helped a host of energy clients craft regulatory compliance plans and has represented their interests before FERC and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. He has also served as a partner at the law firms Reed Smith LLP, Fried Frank, Hogan Lovells and McDermott Will & Emery.

Before entering the private sector, Yuffee worked as an attorney-adviser in FERC's Office of Administrative Law Judges and Dispute Resolution. He has a law degree from Washington University School of Law and a bachelor's degree from Boston University.

Norton Rose Fulbright, based in Houston, has been representing developers of the Dakota Access pipeline in recent months against members of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe attempting to halt the Bakken project (*EnergyWire*, Sept. 7).

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