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**PRACTICES** Energy, Power and Natural Resources, Energy Finance, Renewable Energy, Oil and Gas, Energy Regulatory, Derivatives, Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG), Energy Transition, Commodities, Mergers and Acquisitions, Asset Securitization

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Sam Richards is an associate in the Energy, Power and Natural Resources Practice Group in Haynes Boone's Houston office. His practice focuses on a broad variety of energy related transactions, including crude oil, coal, natural gas, and renewable energy.

Sam handles energy finance matters, energy regulatory issues, the disposition of oil and gas properties, power and renewables matters, and the negotiation of complex commercial agreements.

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## QUALIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

- J.D., Tulane University Law School, 2024, cum laude
- B.A., Ohio State University, 2015, magna cum laude

### ADMISSIONS

- Texas
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## PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "[What To Watch For As High Court Mulls NRC's Powers](#)," co-author, *Law360*, May 7, 2025.
- "[NRC to Texas, Utah and Last Energy: You Have No Power Here](#)", co-author, Haynes Boone client alert, March 25, 2025.
- "Let My Nuclear Reactors Go: Texas, Utah, and Last Energy, Inc. Challenge the NRC," co-author, The Center for American and International Law, *Energy Law Advisor*, March 2025.
- "[Purchase Agreement Drafting and Interim Compliance Considerations Following the FTC's Record-Breaking HSR Penalty for Gun-Jumping](#)," co-author, Haynes Boone Client Alert, February 19, 2025.

- “[What's Market: US Oil & Gas Sector 2024 in Review](#),” contributor, Thomson Reuters Practical Law Finance, February 2025.
  - “[Expert Q&A on Upstream Oil & Gas in 2024 and the Outlook for 2025](#),” co-author, Thomson Reuters Practical Law Finance, February 2025.
  - “[Let My Nuclear Reactors Go: Texas, Utah and Last Energy, Inc. Challenge the NRC](#),” co-author, Haynes Boone client alert, January 17, 2025.
  - “[Implied Covenants and Royalties in Oil and Gas Leases](#),” presenter, Haynes Boone CLE Presentation, January 15, 2025.
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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- Houston Young Lawyers Association (Member)
  - Houston Bar Association (Member, Energy Law Section)
  - The Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law (Member)
  - Houston Energy Finance Group (Member)
  - State Bar of Texas (Member, Oil, Gas, and Energy Resources Law Section)
  - DACAMERA of Houston (Composer Donor)
  - Houston Symphony (Member, Young Associates Council)
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## SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Represented Ironwood Midstream Energy Partners II, LLC in its sale to Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. (Nasdaq: PAA), totaling over \$800 million in combined value.
- Represented a private, international chemical science company in the negotiation and documentation of its finance, debt and business restructuring, including the negotiation of international security instruments and loan documents.
- Represented an affiliate of an international fund in connection with its sale of real estate located in California, with aggregate consideration in excess of \$350 million.
- Represented GOM 1 Holdings Inc., an affiliate of O.G. Oil & Gas Limited, in its acquisition of non-operated interests in deepwater offshore Gulf of Mexico oil and gas fields, including interests in the Buckskin, Castile, Leon and Sicily leases, from affiliates of Beacon Offshore Energy LLC, through the purchase and sale of membership interest, working interest and overriding royalty interest.
- Represented OGOG (K2) Inc., an affiliate of O.G. Oil & Gas Limited, in its acquisition of non-operated interests in deepwater Gulf of Mexico oil and gas fields, from Eni Petroleum US LLC.