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Energy Partner Scott Schwind Joins Fulbright's Houston Office

HOUSTON – Bringing international energy and infrastructure projects experience that adds depth to Fulbright's expanding global energy projects team, Scott Schwind has joined the international law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. as an energy partner in Houston.

Schwind's international energy and infrastructure projects work and ability to speak four languages serves to further enhance Fulbright's ongoing work in Latin America, Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Schwind, who is fluent in Spanish, Portuguese and French, joins Fulbright from the Houston office of Baker & McKenzie. He previously worked as a foreign associate with Trench, Rossi e Watanabe Advogados, the Baker & McKenzie affiliate in São Paulo, Brazil.

While Schwind's transactional practice focuses on counseling multinational clients on major energy and infrastructure transactions, he has advised on major projects for the construction of oil and gas pipelines, the construction and installation of offshore drilling facilities, and the development of power generation plants and liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals.

"Today's energy industry requires a law firm to have a global reach and particularized experience in the regions critical to meeting the world's growing energy demand," said Steven B. Pfeiffer, Chair of the firm's Executive Committee. "We have a talented group of experienced international energy practitioners, and Scott's experience and language skills fit perfectly with our already formidable energy practice."

With over 70 years of experience in energy matters, Fulbright's attorneys regularly are involved in international and domestic energy matters. In addition to energy transactions, the firm's energy group of more than 250 attorneys regularly assists clients with dispute resolution, regulatory matters, intellectual property and environmental issues.

"Scott's addition to our team, combined with the recent additions of Brian Bradshaw to our Houston office and Mathew Kidwell to our Dubai office, shows the strength of Fulbright's commitment to serving the needs of our international energy clients," said Mike Irvin, firm-wide head of Fulbright's energy practice. "We have made great progress in deepening our international energy team, expanding our LNG experience, and enhancing Fulbright's ability to assist clients with a wide range of energy transactions."

Fulbright's energy team has project experience in numerous regions of the world, including the Middle East, India, Africa and Latin America.

“An international law firm such as ours must have attorneys who are familiar with areas where the action is – particularly in the energy sector,” Irvin said. “Our first-class team of energy lawyers possess an international perspective and in-depth knowledge of the energy industry that continues each year to more greatly benefit our clients throughout the world.”

Schwind, who has lived and worked in Latin America, was named one of the “Best Texas Energy Lawyers Under the Age of 40” by *Texas Monthly Super Lawyers*. He earned his J.D. from the University of Texas in 1996 and his B.A., with honors, from Hampden-Sydney College in 1993. In 1994, he studied Brazilian and international commercial law at the Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de São Paulo in São Paulo, Brazil.

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