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Warren practices corporate and commercial law in the energy and natural resources area. He has spent over 30 years practicing primarily in the mining and energy space serving the coal, oil and gas, electric utility, and hard rock material industries. In recent years, he has devoted an increasing percentage of his practice to assisting utilities, developers, land and mineral owners transform properties for renewable energy projects (including solar and wind farms), mitigation banks, carbon offset programs, hemp production and other alternative uses.

Warren also regularly represents clients in aircraft transactions, including purchases, sales, leases, fractional interest programs, time sharing and co-ownership arrangements, and on related FAA, financing, structuring and tax issues.

Other Info About Warren

Experience

Acquisition of large Kentucky limestone mining operation

$1.3 billion in acquisitions and related financings for large coal company

$860 million sale coal company assets

$620 million 15-year coal lease and sales transaction for large utility

$500 million credit facility secured by midstream assets in three states

$96 million acquisition of seven coal terminals and coal reserves and operations in three states

Negotiate and document multiple coal and natural gas supply agreements totaling well over $1 billion

Negotiate and document barge, fleeting, truck and rail transportation agreements

Representing developer of first commercial scale solar wind farm in Kentucky

Representing landowner in development of 100 MW solar farm in East Kentucky

Representing landowner in large multi-state carbon credit offset program

Representing publicly traded company owing interests in multiple aircraft on FAA issues

Representing fixed-base operator (FBO)

Education

University of Kentucky College of Law, J.D., 1984

University of Kentucky, B.A., 1979

Recognition

Forbes Best-In-State Lawyers, Energy Law, 2025

Chambers USA, Environment, Natural Resources & Utilities: Natural Resources, 2005-2026

Selected for inclusion in *Kentucky Super Lawyers®,* 2007-2022

The Best Lawyers in America®: Corporate Law 2009-2027, "Lawyer of the Year," 2016, 2020; Energy Law, 2007-2027, "Lawyer of the Year," 2011, 2017, 2024; Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2020-2027, "Lawyer of the Year," 2021, 2027; Natural Resources Law 2003-2027, "Lawyer of the Year," 2014, 2022; International Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2017-2027; Mining Law, 2007-2027

Professional Affiliations

American Bar Association

Kentucky Bar Association

Fayette County Bar

Energy and Mineral Law Foundation, Trustee, Member

Kentucky Coal Association, Member

Lexington Coal Exchange, Member

Southern Coals Council, Member

Civic Activities

Warren participates in a variety of civic and charitable organizations in the Lexington community, including service on the Board of Directors of Kentucky Easter Seal Society, Inc. (Past Chairman).

Firm Committees

Finance Committee, Member

Budget/Audit Committee, former Member

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