

PRESS RELEASE

People's Counsel Sandra Mattavous-Frye Awarded "2016 State Regulatory Practitioner" By the Energy Bar Association

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People's Counsel Sandra Mattavous-Frye named "2016 State Regulatory Practitioner" by the Energy Bar Association for Demonstrated Leadership in Protecting District Consumers

Washington, D.C. - The Energy Bar Association (EBA) today announced Sandra Mattavous-Frye, the People's Counsel for the District of Columbia, has been selected as the recipient of its 2016 State Regulatory Practitioner Award. Mattavous-Frye was honored during the Association's 2016 Mid-Year Energy Forum this afternoon. Emma Hand, President of EBA's Board of Directors, praised Mattavous-Frye for "leading OPC's work to protect District utility ratepayers in cases such as the PHI/Exelon merger, the city's powerline undergrounding initiative to reduce storm-related outages, and investigations into Verizon's delivery of services."

"Much has changed since I began my career journey over 30 years ago. The energy industry has evolved from a staid, single track business model to a diverse, robust and dynamic melting pot of technology and policy-driven energy options," Mattavous-Frye said in accepting the Award. "However, my guiding principle that consumers must have a place at the table in the regulatory process has not changed nor my belief that ratepayers are entitled to just and reasonable rates and reliable service. This recognition as the recipient of the EBA's State Regulatory Practitioner Award is validation that the Office of the People's Counsel is meeting its mission to advocate, educate and protect utility consumers in the District of Columbia.

The Energy Bar Association is an international, non-profit association of attorneys, legal professionals, and students active in all areas of energy law. The State Regulatory Practitioner Award recognizes innovation and superior advocacy by a

member. Eligibility mandates that a nominee's state practice and participation in the state energy regulatory process has produced significant results or recognition.

*Photos are available upon request and via Twitter @DCOPC and see #EBAMidYear.

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