

Jim Burr, partner Chapman and Cutler LLP

Jim Burr is a partner at Chapman and Cutler LLP and practices in the firm's Salt Lake City office since joining the firm in 1984.

Mr. Burr's practice is focused on financings for joint action agencies, municipal utilities and public utility districts throughout the United States. He has served as bond counsel and underwriter's counsel on transactions for the American Public Energy Agency, Florida Gas Utility, Intermountain Power Agency, the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska, Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority, the Public Energy Authority of Kentucky, Tennessee Energy Acquisition Corporation, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems, Utah Municipal Power Agency and others.

His experience includes representation of public gas and electric utilities in project and system financings, asset acquisitions, wholesale power and gas supply contracts, commodity price swaps, debt restructurings, bondholder tender offers and consent solicitations and other transactions. He has been instrumental in the development of innovative financing structures for the acquisition of supplies of gas for public gas and power utilities, including tax exempt and taxable prepayment transactions and reserve acquisitions.

Mr. Burr's experience also includes extensive work in the areas of municipal securities law and disclosure. He regularly represents public entities in the preparation of new issue offering documents and continuing disclosure filings. He has represented national and regional underwriters in public, private and Rule 144A offerings of billions of dollars of tax exempt and taxable debt.

In addition to his national energy finance practice, Mr. Burr maintains an active general public finance practice in Utah and other western states. He regularly works as bond counsel and underwriter's counsel on a variety of transactions, including water, sewer, resource recovery, public transportation and telecommunications revenue bond offerings, certificates of participation and lease revenue financings, health care and higher education financings and general obligation bond and tax note offerings.

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Admitted

- Utah, 1984
- California, 2004

Education

- University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 1984
- Brown University