## HD K&L Gates Bolsters Energy Transaction Practice with Houston Partner Addition

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The Houston office of global law firm K&L Gates LLP welcomes Randel R. Young as a partner in the firm s energy, infrastructure and resources practice area. Young joins K&L Gates from Jackson Walker L.L.P.

Young has more than three decades of experience advising clients in the **energy**, natural resource, electric power, and related service, manufacturing, and supply sectors. An experienced **oil** and gas **transaction** lawyer, he represents companies in U.S. and international project development and finance **transactions**; on U.S. and cross-border acquisitions and dispositions of onshore and offshore acreage, pipelines, plants, and facilities; and in the **acquisition** and financing of drilling rigs, production platforms, and other offshore facilities. In addition to counseling clients on projects throughout the United States, Latin America, the Middle East, Africa, and the Asia Pacific region, Young also guides companies through the challenges of investing and operating in emerging markets generally.

"We are thrilled to have Randy Young join K&L Gates," said Craig W. Budner, Administrative Partner of K&L Gates" Houston office. "He brings a unique combination of domestic and international energy capabilities and will be an important addition to our Houston office and growing firmwide energy, infrastructure and resources practice area."

Young"s arrival follows the additions of several other Houston partners since the office"s launch in February 2013, including in the **firm**"s **commercial** disputes, **energy**, corporate/**M**&A, antitrust, and restructuring and bankruptcy practices. K&L Gates also has continued to expand its global **energy**, infrastructure and resources practice area during that time, having added 15 new partners in offices that include Perth, San Francisco, Doha, Singapore, Seattle, London, Los Angeles, Portland, and Washington, D.C., in addition to Houston.

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#### BUSINESS NEWS ROUND UP

23 January 2014: K&L Gates Continues **Hong Kong** Office, Asia Growth with Investment Management Partner Hire

[Company Release] Hong Kong - The Hong Kong office of global law firm K&L Gates has added Greg Heaton as a partner in its investment management practice. With a focus on investment management and financial services regulation, Heaton advises investment managers as well as institutional trustees,

custodians, and fund administrators on a broad range of fund formation, licensing, regulatory compliance, and securities law issues.

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15 January 2014: K&L Gates Adds Singapore/Shanghai Corporate Partner

[Company Release] Global law firm K&L Gates welcomes Siew Kam Boon as a partner in its M&A and private equity practices. Boon, who will work out of both K&L Gates" Singapore and Shanghai offices, joins the firm from O"Melveny & Myers LLP. Boon focuses her practice on cross border mergers and acquisitions, both public and private, as well as private equity transactions across Asia.

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14 January 2014: K&L Gates Boosts Washington, D.C., Office with Addition of Government Enforcement, Tax Partners

[Company] Release] The Washington, D.C., office of global law firm K&L Gates LLP welcomes Jonathan N. Eisenberg as a partner in the government enforcement practice and Randolph M. Goodman, J. Barclay Collins, and Michelle A. Wakino as partners in the tax-exempt organizations practice.

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09 January 2014: K&L Gates Expands Tokyo Office with Addition of Commercial Disputes, Real Estate Partners and Team of Associates

[Company Release] Tokyo - The Tokyo office of global law firmK&L Gates has added Takahiro Hoshino and Takahiro Tsumagari as partners in the commercial disputes and real estate investment, development, and finance practices respectively. Most recently, Hoshino was founder and managing partner of his own firm (Hoshino & Partners) in Tokyo.

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16 December 2013: K&L Gates: Peter Kalis Recognized Among Legal Business" Trailblazers & Pioneers

[Company] Release] Five months after being named one of the "Top 50 Big Law Innovators of the Last 50 Years" by The American Lawyer magazine, K&L Gates LLP Chairman and Global Managing Partner Peter J. Kalis again has been recognized as one of the legal industry"s most innovative and groundbreaking thinkers with inclusion on The National Law Journal"s inaugural list of the "Top 50 Legal Business Trailblazers & Pioneers," out today.

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