Law360’s Influential Women In Energy Law FAQs

When are nominations due?
● Submissions are due June 22.

How do we nominate someone?
● Go to the online submission form and answer the questions provided. Here is a copy of the questions on the form.

How many different submissions may one firm submit?
● A firm can nominate up to two attorneys.

What is the word limit?
● The overall word limit is 2250 words, broken into four written sections: one that requests a simple bio of the nominee (up to 500 words); one that allows you to detail the nominee’s significant achievements over the course of her career (up to 1000 words total) and one section titled “What distinguishes this attorney from her peers?” (up to 500 words); and one section titled “Anything else we should know?” (up to 250 words).

What are you looking for in the submission?
● Limit your submission to the most significant achievements over the course of the nominee’s career, and include no more than five total. Do not include every ongoing matter on which the attorney is working.
● If the attorney has been retained for a high-profile matter you think is worth mentioning, but there are no developments to speak of yet, include it in the sections on “What distinguishes this attorney from her peers” or “Anything else we should know?”
● Submissions should highlight the attorney’s entire career, not just recent work, though it is unlikely the nominee will be chosen if none of her achievements are recent (within the last year).
● Submissions should be specific about what role the attorney played and what positive outcome she secured. If she was part of a team, whether she was the team’s leader or co-leader should be noted. If discussing a transaction/deal, please make clear what the attorney did and for which party or parties. If discussing litigation, please make clear at what point the attorney joined the case, whether she authored briefs or other filings, whether she argued in court and what role she played in the overall case strategy.
● Concrete dollar figures, if relevant, are helpful.
● It is not necessary to include any accolades the attorney has won from other publications or organizations.
What if I want to include more than five matters?

- Only include cases in which something significant and newsworthy happened. The submission does not need to include every ongoing matter on which the attorney is working.
- If there are additional cases and issues on which the attorney is working beyond those five, list them in the “Anything else we should know?” field. There is a 250-word limit there.

Can I include confidential information?

- Yes. Clearly mark all confidential information.
- Make sure you have a balance of confidential and nonconfidential information. We justify our decision based on the profiles we write. If we cannot include any of the information on the submission, we cannot choose that attorney.

Do we have to include references?

- References are not required, but you may include them if you want. The number of references will not be a factor in deciding winners.

Can I attach a headshot?

- No. When we announce our winners, we will request a headshot.

Should nominees only be law firm partners?

- This series is not limited to partners. However, we will be choosing women who have more experience. So, if you have to choose between attorneys, choose those with more experience.
- Associates can be nominated. However, we will favor attorneys who have more experience.
- Nominees from outside of private practice will also be considered.

How many nominees will be chosen?

- We have not decided on the number of winners. The number of women we select will depend on the amount and quality of submissions we receive.

How and when are winners notified?

- The person who submits the nomination will be notified via the email address provided whether or not the nominee has been selected.
- Winners will be notified in late July.