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## Daniel Venora Joins Wiggin and Dana's Utilities and Regulated Industries Practice Group as Partner

Wiggin and Dana LLP is pleased to welcome Daniel P. Venora as a partner in its New Haven office. He joins the firm's Utilities and Regulated Industries Practice Group after 18 years at Northeast Utilities – one of the largest energy companies in the northeast.

“Dan's breadth of experience coming from an in-house position adds tremendous value and business sense to the practice group,” said firm Chair Maureen Weaver. “He is highly regarded within the Connecticut regulatory community, and we are pleased that Dan has joined the firm.”

Mr. Venora has extensive experience in energy and public utility regulation, including electric and gas rate proceedings, electric industry restructuring, power supply contracts, utility cost recovery, generation asset divestiture, infrastructure siting, holding company mergers, utility system operations, supply planning, conservation and renewables, and system reliability. He has represented clients in administrative proceedings, appeals of administrative agency decisions, and in legislative hearings.

“Wiggin and Dana's Utilities and Regulated Industries Practice Group provides comprehensive legal counsel across all areas of specialization,” said Shaun Sullivan, chair of Litigation Department. “Dan's unique insight from his in-house experience will enhance our multi-disciplinary approach, which includes regulatory, financing, corporate, securities, real estate, employment and benefits issues, general litigation, and operational issues.”

Prior to joining Wiggin and Dana, Mr. Venora was an Assistant General Counsel for Northeast Utilities, where he led the state regulatory practice group for its electric and gas subsidiaries serving approximately 1.4 million customers and generating over \$3.6 billion in company operating revenue. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Bar Association's Public Utility Law Section, and served as the Chair of that section from 2002 – 2004. Mr. Venora is also a member of the Administrative Law Section of the Connecticut Bar Association, and a member of the American Bar Association. He received his B.A. from Fordham University in 1981, and his J.D. from St. John's University School of Law in 1984, where he was a member of the school's Law Review. Mr. Venora is admitted to practice in Connecticut, New York and the United States District Court, District of Connecticut.

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## **About the Wiggin and Dana Utilities and Regulated Industries Practice Group**

Wiggin and Dana has been active in the practice of public utility and regulatory law for over 50 years. Members of the firm's Utilities and Regulated Industries Practice Group are recognized leaders in this area of the law. The firm has employed both its knowledge of the operation, structure and function of this sector of the economy and its experience in the regulatory process to achieve successful, and often innovative and historic results for clients.

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