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Paul Saunders serves as Williams Mullen's Ethics Counsel and also offers ethics advice and counsel to clients outside of the law firm. Over the years, he has made numerous presentations on a wide variety of legal ethics issues.

Paul also focuses his practice on a range of corporate matters, including secondary mortgage market purchase and sale and securitization transactions, trust preferred securities transactions, project finance transactions, including PURPA qualifying facilities and exempt wholesale generators, and issues related to coal and gas-fired energy facilities, coal transshipment facilities and water and wastewater treatment facilities. He represents clients before state government on matters of interest to energy producers and consumers. He also represents lenders, developers and others in loans and loan workouts; advises clients on fuel and energy purchases and sales; handles lease, development and construction transactions; and drafts, negotiates and represents clients in litigation with respect to agreements for the purchase and sale, transportation or transmission of coal, gas, steam, water and electric power.

He is a member of the American Bar Association and its Section of Business Law; Section of Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law; Section of Environment, Energy and Resources; and Section of Real Property, Probate and Trust Law. He is also a member of the Real Property Sections of both the Richmond and Virginia Bar Associations and the Business Law Section of the Virginia State Bar. In addition, Martindale-Hubbell has ranked him an AV attorney, its highest rating available.

Paul graduated in 1976 from Stanford Law School, where he was a member of the Stanford Law Review. He graduated, *magna cum laude*, from Duke University in 1973, where he was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Sigma Alpha and Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternities.

## **Practice Areas**

- Corporate
- Financial Services
- Real Estate
- Energy
- Energy Regulation
- Virginia Business & Corporate Law

## **Education**

- Stanford Law School (J.D.), 1976
- Duke University (B.A.), 1973

## **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association, Business Law; Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law; Environment, Energy and Resources; and Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Sections
- Richmond Bar Association, Real Property Section
- Virginia Bar Association, Real Property Section
- Virginia State Bar, Business Law Section