



CHRISTINE A. BONAGUIDE

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Christine represents clients in complex domestic and international commercial transactions, including business contracts, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, reorganizations, and business sales. She provides corporate and contract law advice to companies in a variety of industries, including manufacturing, distribution, technology, healthcare, professional services, and food and beverage. She frequently represents Canadian businesses with U.S. legal issues, such as expanding and operating their businesses in the United States. A significant portion of Christine's practice involves legal issues facing family-owned and other closely held businesses, including succession planning, shareholder agreements, ownership transfers and minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises.

Christine exclusively practices U.S. law and is admitted to practice in New York and Maryland.

Honors

- 2019 Honoree, *Women of Distinction*, Girl Scouts of Western New York
- 2011 KPMG ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award
- *Buffalo Business First's* 40 Under Forty Award
- Leadership Buffalo Class of 2004

Experience

Assisted a client (with operations in both Ontario, Canada and New York) on food-related agreements and M&A transaction related matters.

Represented a large kosher wine company in connection with a trademark acquisition agreement.

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Practices & Industries

Art
Canada-U.S. Cross-Border
Cleantech
Corporate & Business
Corporate Governance & Compliance
Europe-U.S. Cross-Border
Family Business & Succession Planning
Food & Beverage
Healthcare
International-U.S. Cross-Border
Manufacturing
Mergers & Acquisitions
Professional Services
Renewable Energy

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In the News

Thought Leaders - Canadian Border Remains Cloudy Issue for Economy
Buffalo Business First, July 28, 2021

Thought Leaders: Optimism Rules
Buffalo Business First, June 26, 2020

Buffalo Business First - Thought Leaders: Trade & Tariffs
Buffalo Business First, November 23, 2018

Tariffs on steel and aluminum spark worries about cost, lead times
Buffalo Business First, June 8, 2018

Borderline business: NAFTA negotiations put businesses on edge
Buffalo Business First, April 13, 2018

Impact of steel, aluminum tariffs remains to be seen
Buffalo Business First, March 30, 2018

Scouts' Honor: Lessons Learned as Girl Scouts Honed Leadership Skills, Execs Say
Buffalo Business First, February 24, 2012

Christine A. Bonaguide Named to *Business First's* 40 Under Forty
August 5, 2010

Publications

The Final New York State Budget is Approved: Here are the Major Impacts for Hospitals, Nursing Facilities, and other Health Care Providers
Hodgson Russ Healthcare Alert, May 14, 2024

New York Public Service Commission Commences Grid of the Future Proceeding
Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, April 23, 2024

Appellate Court Clarifies Scope of Required CLCPA Compliance and Confirms Ripeness Under SAPA for Challenges to Agency Declaratory Rulings
Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, April 3, 2024

EPA Finalizes Standards Impacting Hazardous Air Pollution Emissions at Gasoline Distribution Facilities
Hodgson Russ Environment & Energy Alert, March 29, 2024

Admissions

New York

Maryland

Education

Wellesley College, B.A., magna cum laude, Class of 1993

University of Michigan Law School, J.D.

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Inter-Agency Fire Safety Working Group Releases Proposed Revisions to NYS Fire Code Related to Battery Energy Storage Systems

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, February 22, 2024

Applicant's Partial Loss of Site Control Results in First ORES Denial of Section 94-c Permit Application

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, February 20, 2024

FY 2025 Executive Budget: Governor Hochul Proposes to Expedite and Consolidate Environmental Review and Permitting for Major Renewable Electric Generation and Transmission Facilities

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, January 23, 2024

National Grid Petition Seeks Retroactive Cost Increases From Multiple Solar Projects, Ability to Increase Costs on Future Projects

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, January 16, 2024

NYSERDA Reports on the Impacts of the Inflation Reduction Act and Submits Proposal Stretching Funding for Additional Solar Capacity

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy Alert, January 11, 2024

2024 Draft Solar and Wind Valuation Model Under Real Property Tax Law § 575-b Released for Public Comment

Hodgson Russ Renewable Energy & Municipal Alert, January 3, 2024

Presentations & Events

Energy Storage Summit USA

SunGrid, Austin, TX, March 19 - 20, 2024

Kaleida Ball 2024

"A Night to Remember"

Kaleida Health Foundation, Buffalo Convention Center, March 2, 2024

Solar & Storage Finance USA

New Yorker Hotel, New York, NY, November 7 - 8, 2023

Western New York Food Expo

Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center in Rochester, New York, March 28, 2023

The Food Forum: Navigating the Post-COVID Food & Beverage Industry

Hodgson Russ, 140 Pearl Street, Buffalo, NY 14202, September 15, 2022

Licensed Home Care Services Agency Application

NYS Association of Healthcare Providers, September 8, 2022

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Energy Storage Summit USA
Keynote Panel: Stable Supply Chains
Austin, TX, March 22, 2022

Doing Business in the U.S.: Accelerate your Food Processing Business
Invest Buffalo Niagara, October 21, 2021

Solar & Storage Finance USA 2021 Virtual Summit
October 7, 2021

Women in Niagara: Ask the Experts
Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce, September 22, 2021

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association: Business Law and International Law Sections
- New York State Bar Association: Business Law, Health Law, and International Law Sections; Executive Committee Member, International Law Section
- Maryland State Bar Association

Community & Pro Bono

- President, Buffalo Wellesley Club
- Member, Friends of Wellesley Athletics National Committee
- Member, Organization for Women in International Trade (OWIT) - Toronto Chapter
- Member, Upstate New York District Export Council
- Emerita Board Member, Western New York Women's Foundation