

Mark C. Christie

Mark Christie is a former Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). He is currently on the faculty at William & Mary Law School, where he teaches energy and regulatory law, and serves as the Founding Director of the Center for Energy Law and Policy.

Christie served on FERC from January 2021 to August 2025, the final seven months as Chairman. Prior to serving on FERC, Christie was the Chairman of the Virginia State Corporation Commission (VSCC), on which he served as a commissioner for nearly 17 years. He was elected to the VSCC, which regulates utilities, insurance and banking, three times by the Virginia legislature on bipartisan votes.

During Christie's service as a state regulator, he was elected president of the Organization of PJM States, Inc. (OPSI), an organization of utility regulators representing the 13 states and D.C. which participate in the PJM transmission and markets organization. He served for more than a decade on the OPSI governing board. Christie also served as president of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners (MACRUC), a regional chapter of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC).

Christie taught regulatory law for a decade as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Virginia School of Law and constitutional law and government for 20 years in a doctoral program at Virginia Commonwealth University. His international teaching experience includes teaching at China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing, Queen Mary University Law School in London, University of Heidelberg, Germany, and through the Fulbright program at universities in Trento, Italy and Luzern, Switzerland.

Christie received his law degree from Georgetown University and his undergraduate degree from Wake Forest University, where he graduated *Magna cum Laude* and earned *Phi Beta Kappa* honors. To help pay for college, he worked as an underground coal miner during summers.

He served as an officer in the U. S. Marine Corps. *Semper fi.*