

Spiegel & McDiarmid LLP Mourns the Passing of Lee C. White

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Lee White was a giant of the law, practicing during a time of massive social change, and advising then-Senator John F. Kennedy, and later President Kennedy, and President Lyndon B. Johnson on some of the most contentious issues facing society during the tumultuous years of the late 1950s and early 1960s. Lee then was chosen by President Johnson to head the Federal Power Commission while it was in the process of trying to transform itself from being the agency that was the worst example of the breakdown of the administrative process. Lee was significantly responsible for its change into an agency that was trusted by the Courts and the people as one of the best and fairest in the government.

We have been honored to have Lee as a part of this firm for seventeen years, and his participation in the legal process and in the workings of the firm itself have been of great value to us (and to the legal system). We celebrate his example of a life well lived.

A service for Lee will be held Sunday, November 3, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at Judean Memorial Gardens, 16225 Batchellors Forest Rd., in Olney, Maryland (telephone 301.384.1000). It will be followed by a short graveside ceremony and a reception at a family home in Chevy Chase. Directions to the reception will be distributed at the service.

— Spiegel & McDiarmid LLP

Update: Bob McDiarmid penned a memorial to Lee White for the Fall 2013 issue of the *Energy Law Journal*, which you can read [here](#).

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