

Presentation to:

Brownsville Public Utilities Board

Response to Federal Legislative and Consulting Services

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Values driving value.

We work to unlock and add value in all we do — everyday — for our clients, colleagues, and communities.

This is our passion; **it's what drives us.**

Humble Confidence

Always learning to be better and more valuable

Great People

All-Star talent without the attitudes

Straight Talk

Clear, reliable counsel minus the ambiguity and inefficiencies

Creating Value

Daily with our clients, colleagues, and communities



Clients and talented people **thrive with us.**

Spencer Fane is among the highest ranked law firms in professional satisfaction and one of the fastest growing. **The two achievements are fully connected.**

450+

Attorneys

23

Offices

22

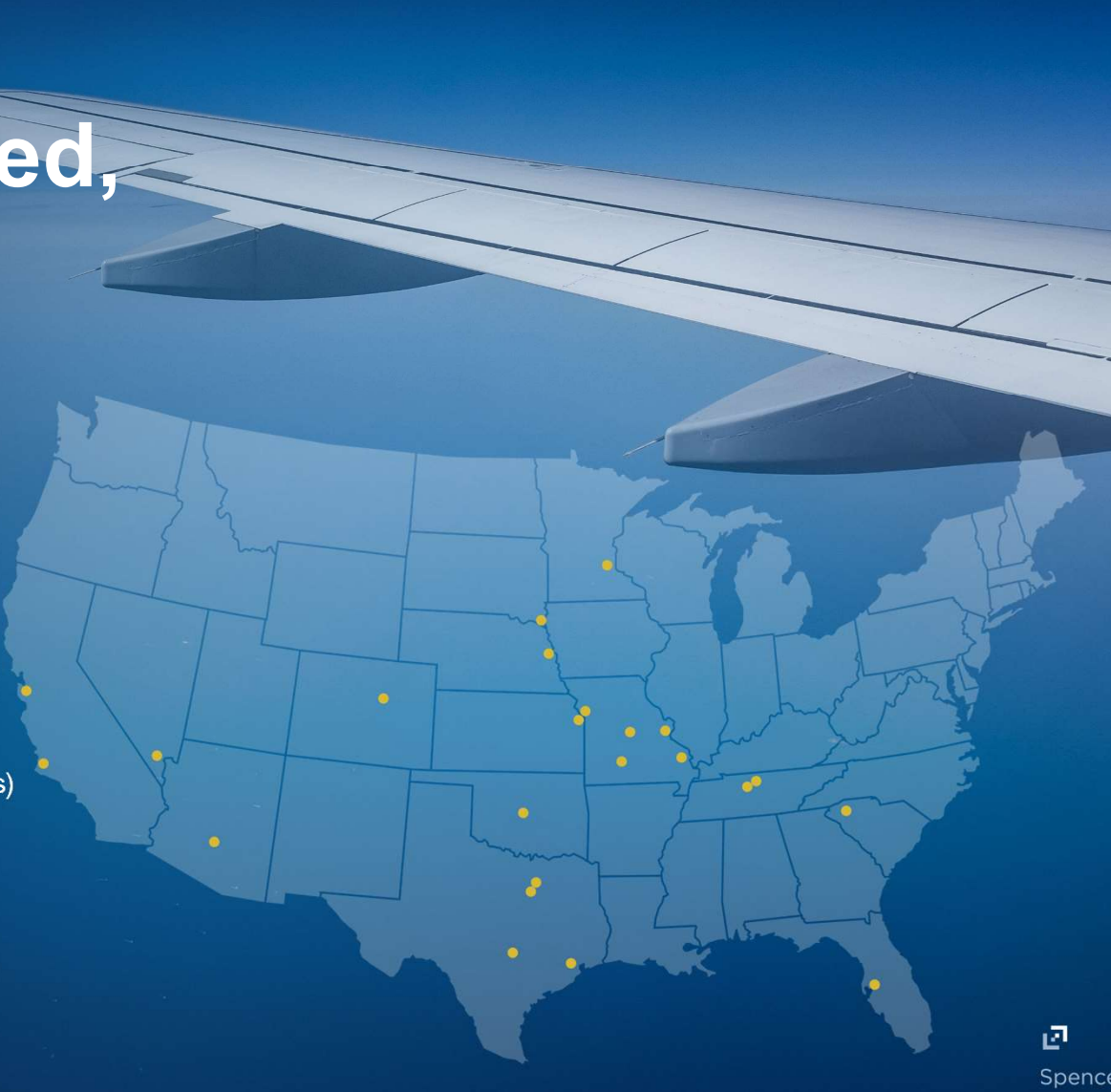
Practice Areas

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Industries



Always connected, near and far



Austin	Nashville
Cape Girardeau	Oklahoma City
Dakota Dunes	Omaha
Dallas	Overland Park
Denver	Phoenix
Greenville	Plano
Hendersonville	San Jose (Silicon Valley)
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Kansas City	St. Louis
Las Vegas	Tampa
Minneapolis	



Inclusion lifts us all. We're all in.

The more diverse, equitable, and inclusive we are, the better equipped we become to rise above challenges and add new, creative, and fresh perspectives to the problems we solve. The important work to advance DEI at Spencer Fane is a shared passion.

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Women Attorneys in
Firm **Leadership**
Positions

18

Diverse Attorneys
Hired in 2022

28

Women Attorneys
Hired in 2022

100%

Committed to
Improving the
Diversity of Our Firm

Meet The Team



Governmental Affairs Core Team

- Project Manager/Lobbyist in Austin, TX
- 8 Partners
- 8 Of Counsel
- Team members in 12 offices across the United States
- 100% support of professionals in every office

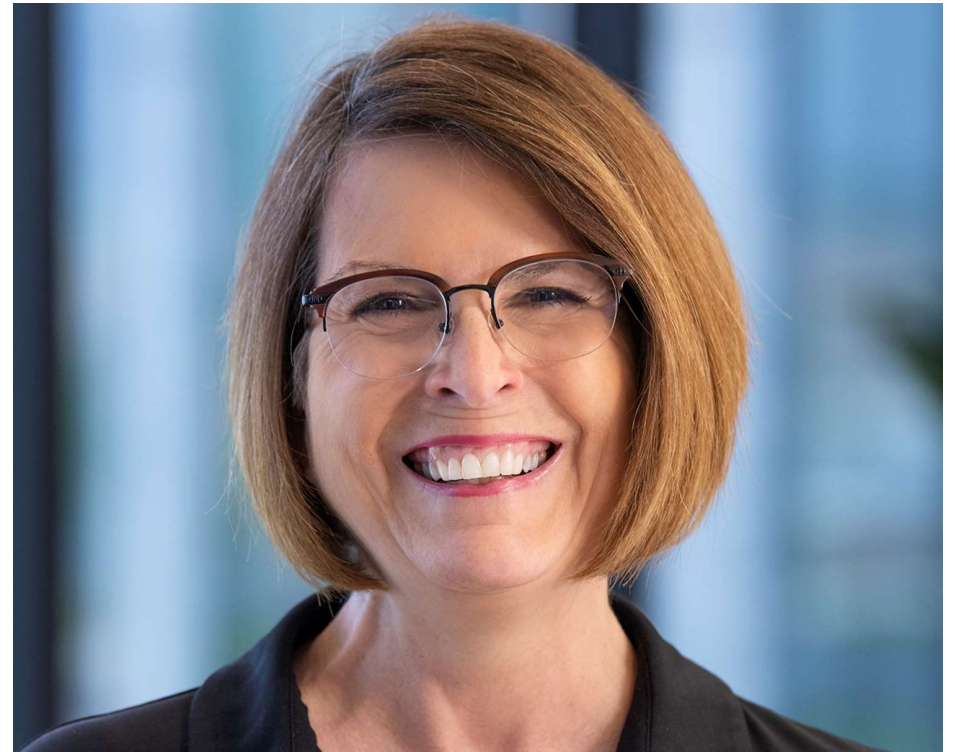
Michael J. (Mike) Warner | Lobbyist



- Serve as Project Manager
- Leads Texas and Federal Governmental Affairs Group
- 25 years of consultative experience – engaged at local, state and federal government levels
- Established relationships and able to work with members of both political parties

Diane Minear | Of Counsel

- 15 years of government experience
- Extensive understanding of federal and state laws and administrative regulations
- Served as General Counsel at the Kansas Insurance Department; Secretary of the Kansas Senate; and Assistant Attorney General with the Kansas Attorney General's Office



Engagement at All Levels



Federal Regulatory
Agencies

Texas U .S.
Congressional
Delegation

House and Senate
Appropriations
Subcommittees

Office of
Management and
Budget Staff



Recent Projects and Experience



Projects and Experience



Project Name: Reserve at Mayfield.

- **Nature of Selection:** Selected by third-party for-profit partner for a direct congressional appropriation.
- **Government Entity Partner:** Arlington Housing Finance Corporation.

Project Name: Reserve at 4th Street (Waco).

- **Nature of Selection:** Selected by third-party for-profit partner for a direct congressional appropriation.
- **Government Entity Partner:** Waco Public Facility Corporation II.

Projects and Experience



Project Name: K Avenue Lofts (Plano).

- **Nature of Selection:** Selected by third-party for-profit partner for a direct congressional appropriation.
- **Government Entity Partner:** Bluebonnet Public Facility Corporation.

Project Name: Grant Request.

- **Nature of the Project:** Grant for federal money for dredging and infrastructure.

Projects and Experience



Project Name: Appropriations request for Texas Southern University.

- **Nature of the Project:** Increase in appropriations for exceptional items.

Project Name: Direct Appropriations for Residential Developments.

- **Nature of the Project:** Direct appropriations from Congress.



Thank You



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