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Masood's practice focuses primarily on infrastructure and project finance. For several years, he has been a front-runner in Pakistan's energy sector, and has participated in the development of numerous thermal and hydel power projects in the country. He has also been nominated from time to time to resolve other global issues with the power purchaser on behalf of the industry.

Acting in the capacity of Project Developer's Lead Counsel, Masood has concluded transactions with a cumulative value of over US\$4 billion spread over several project finance transactions. As lead counsel he advised on the first ever private sector hydel power plant in Pakistan and the first ever in the Kashmir region. It was also the first to be jointly financed in the private sector by the Asian Development Bank and the Islamic Development Bank.

Masood joined Afridi & Angell in 1993 and became a partner in 1996. Prior to that, he was an associate with Sidley & Austin in New York. At Fordham University, he received the Edward J Hawke Prize for graduating with the highest grade point average in his class.

Publications

- Co-author of *The Energy Markets and Regulation Review*, 2nd & 3rd editions, Law Business Research (UAE chapter)
- *Energy Regulation and Markets Review 2012*, 1st edition, Law Business Research
- *A Promising Future*, The IFLR 2010 Guide to Energy and Project Finance, August 2010

Presentations and Seminars

- 7th Middle East Project Finance Forum, Financing Projects in Emerging Economies, 16-17 May 2011, Doha
- In-House Congress Dubai, 2011, *Salient Features of Project Finance Transactions*, 23 February 2011, Dubai

Areas of Practice

- Infrastructure and Project Finance
- Banking and Financial Services
- Corporate and Commercial
- Private Equity, Acquisitions
- Energy

Admissions and Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association
- Pakistan Bar Association
- International Bar Association

Education

- LL.M. in International Business and Trade Law, Fordham University, New York, 1990
- LL.B., University of Bristol, Bristol, UK 1987

Languages

- English
- French
- Urdu

Honours and Awards

- *‘Under the leadership of the venerable Masood Afridi, Afridi & Angell is a key player in the power sector in the UAE, as well as further afield.’, Legal 500 EMEA 2013*
- *‘Masood Afridi is recommended for his “vast knowledge and expertise in private power projects and BOO/BOT contracts.” Legal 500 EMEA 2011*
- Led the team awarded the *Middle East Renewable Deal of the Year 2009*, by **Project Finance Magazine**.