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Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 1985; United States District Court, District of New Jersey, 1985; United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1985.

**Professional areas of expertise:** Law related to alternative and renewable energy, energy, land use, environmental permitting and compliance, real estate, transactional real estate, development redevelopment.

Number of years in the energy industry: 25

What makes this person among the top people in the Philadelphia energy industry?

Bucknam has served as legal counsel with regard to some of the most significant energy projects in New Jersey and the Delaware Valley in the past 25 years. These projects include electric generation and co-generation facilities, liquefied natural gas projects, including groundbreaking projects that are among the first of their kind in the region.

What is the nominee's greatest accomplishment? Numerous "firsts" in the region, such as the first solar array on a hazardous waste landfill, the first solar project on a landfill in the New Jersey Pinelands Area, and what will be one of the first liquefied natural gas facilities to be developed on the East Coast.

What is the greatest challenge to the energy industry right now? To improve existing technology and develop new technology to make energy generation and distribution more efficient, more environmentally sound, safer, more economical and less expensive, and to address the concerns that people may have about facilities being located in their area.

What do you predict will be the next big development in the industry? Continued technological improvements will enhance the viability and availability of energy sources such as shale gas, LNG, combined cycle electric generation plants and alternative and renewable energy facilities. Improved technology has enabled much smaller energy producing facilities to generate the same amount or more energy than older, larger facilities.