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## Erlend Brun Bakken

### Partner

Erlend has over 20 years of experience as a legal and commercial advisor, primarily to energy companies (renewables and oil and gas), oilfield service contractors, investors, financiers and investment banks on projects, corporate and corporate finance transactions.

His experience spans the full range of legal, commercial and financing aspects of the energy industry, providing advice on strategy, negotiating projects for clients and managing disputes and restructurings. He has been involved in many of the major corporate finance, restructurings and M&A transactions involving Norwegian oil field service companies and oil and gas companies and their assets. Erlend has spent significant parts of his career on secondment on full or part time to oil field service companies such as Petroleum GeoServices ASA (General Counsel), Electro-Magnetic Geo-Services ASA and Teekay Petrojarl, and continues to make use of such experience when acting as a consultant advisor to executive management and board of directors in companies within the industry.

Erlend has been a lawyer since 1999 and joined Schjødt in 2019. He is a graduate of the Faculty of Law of the University of Oslo and has an additional degree (LLM) from the University of California, Davis. He is an author of several publications and is ranked as leading and recommended individual in international rankings, including Chambers and Legal 500.

## Practice Areas

Banking & Finance

Capital Markets

Mergers & Acquisitions

Mining & Minerals

Oil & Gas

Private Equity & Venture Capital

Renewable Energy

Restructuring & Insolvency

Shipping & Oil Services

## Rankings

2026

Band 2 in Energy Oil & Gas - Chambers & Partners Global

2026

Band 2 in Energy Oil & Gas - Chambers & Partners Europe

2025

Key Lawyer - Legal 500

## Experience

## Education

2002

LL.M., University of California

1999

Cand. Jur., University of Oslo

## Publications

Erlend is the author of several publications