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*Steward's Journal*  
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*Recent Stewardship*

- ❖ Filed a Complaint with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to contest utility “Direct Assignment Facility” transmission system charges on renewable energy projects connecting to our local distribution system.
- ❖ Contested RI Division of Public Utilities & Carriers claimed “common interest” with National Grid on issue of utility authorization for transmission charges.
- ❖ Appealed denial of eligible entities contracting with a single net metering system in PUC docket 5122. PUC reconsidered and reversed in docket 5145.
- ❖ Intervened in Division Docket 21-09 to advocate for the public interest in a new energy economy in the sale of Narragansett Electric Company to PPL Corp.
- ❖ Assisted Client with permitting two solar projects proposed under new Portsmouth Solar Ordinance, one required Special Permit and one Development Plan Review.
- ❖ Prepared entity formation and dissolution filings with the State and the IRS.
- ❖ Dispute resolutions to get more time for projects delayed by National Grid’s interconnection process and permitting.
- ❖ Supported interconnection, tax and expansion of community net metering program bills in RI General Assembly
- ❖ Advocating for equitable access to broadband/5G in federal infrastructure reform
- ❖ Ensuring RI accounts for all benefits of local clean energy in its cost benefit analyses of energy policy alternatives.
- ❖ Challenging municipal double taxation of renewable energy projects for tangible and real property value.
- ❖ Negotiated off-take, engineering, and real estate agreements for renewable energy projects.

*Other News & Resources*

- ❖ Check out our LinkedIn - <https://www.linkedin.com/company/handy-law-llc>
- ❖ Seth is advising Habitat for Humanity on its Restore project.
- ❖ Justin developed and hosted a webinar for YPE-Boston titled “Solar Siting in New England” to initiate dialogue on planning our clean energy future.
- ❖ Read Justin’s Op-Ed:  
<https://www.providencejournal.com/story/opinion/columns/2021/04/18/opini-on-somelofske-fight-climate-change-address-public-utilities-problem/4809802001/>