

# Payne Institute Fall Seminar Series

## Jeffrey Ackerman, Chairman of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission



### Public Utilities Regulation

**1:00pm-2:30pm | October 24, 2019**

**Alderson Hall, 230**

Jeffrey Ackermann is Chairman of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) appointed in 2017 by Gov. John Hickenlooper to a four-year term.

Prior to his appointment, Jeff served as executive director of the Colorado Energy Office (CEO). On behalf of the governor, CEO promoted clean energy policies and markets through programs and advocacy, including at the PUC.

He has more than three decades of experience in state government and the energy sector. Previous to his CEO appointment, Jeff led the policy research efforts at the PUC, assisting the commission prepare for changing markets and technologies. Jeff also served as an advisor to the commissioners on energy efficiency (demand-side management). Jeff also worked in product development in the utility sector, focusing on renewable energy as a voluntary product offering.

Jeff started his professional career in the service of low-income energy consumers, twice as director of the state's energy efficiency assistance program (weatherization) as well as an advocate for energy consumers with the state's nonprofit energy assistance fund.

Jeff earned a bachelor's degree from Albion College and a master's degree in non-profit management from Regis University.