



Environmental Law

Our firm is known to be at the forefront of the regulatory proceedings that are shaping the future of environmental regulation. Our environmental practice focuses on all aspects of environmental law, both state and federal, including counseling on regulatory compliance and litigation in state and federal courts.

Our environmental law services prominently include the representation of clients before state and federal regulatory agencies, such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. We are known for our array of solid relationships with environmental regulators. Our firm has an established reputation with agencies including the U.S. EPA, Ohio EPA, BUSTR, ODNR, and with government enforcement personnel such as the U.S. Department of Justice and Ohio Attorney General's Office.

We work diligently to maintain a high level of credibility with these contacts and share these relationships with our clients, so they can achieve their goals when confronted with environmental challenges.

Today's energy landscape is rapidly evolving both regionally and globally, exposing tremendous challenges and opportunities for those involved in this industry. Renewable and nonrenewable energy, public and private utilities, and the environment are vital to businesses and communities, and the critical importance of these resources adds legal complexity.

Experience

Landfill project component failure

Represented a contractor in a lawsuit against a public owner when payment was withheld after a component of the landfill project failed.

Surface water treatment plant delay

Represented a public owner in a lawsuit against a contractor when a \$14 million surface water treatment plant was delivered over a year late and the contractor made claims for additional payment.

Water/wastewater bids and contracts

Prepared water/wastewater bid package and contract documents.

Wastewater treatment entities

Provided outside legal consulting services and prepared wastewater bid packages and contract documents for three large wastewater treatment providers.

Wastewater treatment equipment issue

Represented a city against an international manufacturer of large-scale wastewater treatment equipment when a tertiary filter did not meet performance expectations.

Defective sanitary sewer construction

Represented a county against a defunct sewer contractor and its surety, leading to a \$3.5 million settlement due to defective and incomplete work.

Upland reservoir construction

Represented a city against a contractor's claims of differing site conditions and defective plans on an upland reservoir that covered 100 acres.

Easement negotiation and documentation

Negotiated and documented the relocation of easements with public utility companies in order to clear a site for a manufacturer's development.

CERCLA litigation

Served as trial counsel in Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) litigation representing a current owner against various potentially responsible parties.

Commercial hazardous waste

Served as trial counsel to a major national and international client involving lawsuits attempting to prevent them from opening a commercial hazardous waste facility.

Meet the Team



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