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Faculty Biographies

Joshua A. Bloom is a Partner at Bay Law Group LLP, where he specializes in all areas of state and federal environmental and natural resources law, including complex litigation and compliance counseling, brownfields, transactional environmental matters, and consumer products issues, representing both public and private clients. He has thirty years of experience, practicing in both California and Washington, D.C. Josh also provides mediation services for complex matters and environmental and natural resource disputes.

Josh has special expertise with environmental transactions and natural resource law, including negotiating all aspects of brownfields redevelopment, environmental risk management and risk transfer, property dispositions, and risk-based cleanups. His practice includes counseling clients about environmental insurance, policy negotiation and claims disputes. His natural resource practice includes endangered species and wetlands matters, including Section 404 permitting, Section 7 consultations, habitat conservation plans, and criminal and civil defense.

Josh has expertise with a broad range of state and federal laws, including counseling, litigation, and defense under Proposition 65, the Clean Air Act, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA), the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the California Safer Consumer Products Regulation (the “Green Chemistry Initiative”), the California Consumer Legal Remedies Act, Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and numerous other environmental and natural resource laws.

Josh has extensive experience with federal and state worker safety and environmental agencies, including the U.S EPA, Cal/Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs) and many others.

Josh's expertise also extends to military base transfers, including experience with the Presidio of San Francisco, Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Adak Island Naval Complex, Oakland Army Base, Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, and South Weymouth Naval Air Station.

Before forming Bay Law Group, Josh was a partner private law firms in the San Francisco Bay area, and also practiced in Washington, D.C. He also was Senior Project Staff with the Natural Resources Defense Council in New York, worked as the public interface on CERCLA and RCRA issues with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2, and was a graduate researcher for the New York State Assembly Environmental Conservation Committee.

Tom Boer is a Partner at Hogan Lovells where his practice focuses on federal and state environmental litigation and advising clients on complex environmental compliance. His

experience at the EPA and DOJ provides him with a firsthand perspective into how the government pursues and resolves environmental enforcement actions. He, in turn, offers clients invaluable insights into the processes, risks, issues and strategies for resolving alleged environmental liabilities.

Tom represents companies, municipal utilities, and individuals in federal and state environmental litigation, in defense of environmental enforcement actions and citizen suits, in response to catastrophic environmental emergencies and chemical releases, and in connection with site cleanup and cost recovery.

Before entering private practice, Tom served as a trial lawyer with the United States Department of Justice and as a lawyer with the EPA's Office of General Counsel. As a lawyer with the DOJ, Tom prosecuted cases on behalf of the United States under the Clean Air Act; Clean Water Act; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA); Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA); Oil Pollution Act; and the Park System Resource Protection Act.

In his spare time, Tom has recently represented Common Cause in a pro bono matter in North Carolina leading to a decision by the North Carolina Supreme Court ruling that overt partisan gerrymandering is unconstitutional. Among other things, this decision led to the redrawing of the Congressional districts in North Carolina in advance of the 2022 election. The United States Supreme Court also granted *certiorari* to consider a federal issue relevant to the litigation, commonly referred to as the Independent State Legislature theory. Argument on that issue was heard by the Supreme Court in *Moore v. Harper* in December 2022 and a decision will be issued this term.

Tom is admitted to practice before the US District Courts for the Northern, Eastern, Central and Southern Districts of California, the District of DC, and the District of Colorado, and the US Courts of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the DC Circuit.

Linda Breggin is a Senior Attorney with the Environmental Law Institute where she directs the Center for State and Local Environmental Programs. She also co-directs ELI's Food Waste Initiative. She is a Senior Strategic Advisor to the Nashville Food Waste Initiative and previously served as Co-Chair of the Nashville Mayor's Sustainability Advisory Committee which developed climate mitigation recommendations, including food waste reduction measures, that were incorporated into City's Climate Action Plan. She is the author of the "Around the States" column in the Environmental Forum, ELI's award-winning policy journal where she writes about food waste prevention and composting among other environmental topics. Linda previously served as an Associate Director in the White House Office on Environmental Policy, Counsel to a congressional subcommittee, a Special Assistant in the Office of Enforcement, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Counsel to a large, New York-based law firm. She is a graduate of Tulane University and the University of Chicago Law School.

Erin Carter is an associate at Ballard Spahr LLP. Erin M. Carter assists clients in a variety of environmental litigation matters and provides counsel on regulatory and transactional matters. She is a member of the firm's Environment and Natural Resources Practice Group and the firm's Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Group. Erin has represented clients in complex environmental litigation, with an emphasis on Superfund cost recovery and contribution actions. She also assists clients in the management of environmental risks associated with acquisitions and divestitures. Erin advises clients on permitting and regulatory matters, including Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Toxic Substances Control Act, California's Prop 65, and emerging matters related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

Lily Chinn is a nationally recognized environmental Partner in Baker Botts' San Francisco Office with over 20 years of experience helping clients in California and across the nation. In agency enforcement actions, litigation and investigations, Lily's clients benefit from her years of experience as a U.S. Department of Justice trial attorney in environmental and criminal matters, where she routinely represented EPA Region 9 and other federal agencies. Using her familiarity with government decision-making processes, Lily crafts strategies that are grounded in substantive, technical knowledge, while pointing to practical solutions that are persuasive to government regulators and prosecutors. She has helped clients avoid criminal and civil charges and reach favorable settlements with government authorities and private parties. Lily is well-versed in the litigation of complex appellate and district court cases and has tried cases nationwide, including bench and jury trials in California federal and state courts.

Brian T. Cragg is a Partner at Downey Brand LLP, where he advises clients on energy regulatory and transactional matters, including meeting regulatory requirements for the development or purchase of generation, energy storage, and transmission projects, evaluating the risk of energy-related investments, and navigating the interconnection, transmission, and new resource processes of the California Independent System Operator.

Brian also represents clients before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), the California Energy Commission (CEC), and other state and federal regulatory agencies. He performs risk analyses for development, purchase, or financing of renewable energy and energy storage facilities; he helps seek CPUC approval for the construction of large transmission facilities; he analyzes potential microgrid installation at manufacturing complexes; and he provided regulatory guidance for an energy company that progressed from start up to Series C financing.

In addition to these services, he advises clients on the risks and opportunities presented by emerging energy storage technologies, regulatory responses to the challenges presented by climate change, including the cap-and-trade approach to greenhouse gas emissions developed by the Air Resources Board, and the requirements for selling Renewables Portfolio Standard energy and Resource Adequacy capacity.

Elizabeth B. Dawson is a partner in the Environment and Natural Resources Group in Crowell & Moring, LLP's Washington, D.C., office, a leader of the firm's global ESG Advisory Team, and chair of the firm's Sustainability Committee. Ellie counsels clients in navigating the range of federal environmental and climate-related laws and regulations, helping them comment on and litigate agency rulemakings, pursue federal approvals, and defend against enforcement actions. In addition to administrative rulemaking advocacy, Ellie has briefed and argued these issues in federal courts around the country, from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit to the Western District of Washington. Ellie's practice also offers clients legal guidance on a broad range of ESG and sustainability issues. Clients value her deep knowledge and immersion in ESG as well as her ability to break down complex risk into pragmatic business solutions.

Ellie's prior experience includes over five years at the Environment & Natural Resources Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where as a trial attorney in the Environmental Defense Section she gained invaluable insight into agency policies, procedures, and thought processes. Ellie received numerous performance awards, a Special Achievement Award, and was nominated for the John Marshall Award for Participation in Litigation, one of DOJ's highest awards offered to attorneys.

At the firm, Ellie also serves on the firm's Art Committee and Public Service Committee and maintains an active pro bono practice in a wide variety of areas, including asylum, landlord-tenant, and reproductive rights.

Outside the firm, Ellie has served on the American Bar Association's Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources Superfund and Natural Resource Damages Litigation Committee and as the co-chair of the ABA's Clean Technology and Climate Change Committee, where she organized programs covering such topics as the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures and the role of climate change in the legal profession. Ellie was also selected to participate in the Environmental Law Institute's Emerging Leaders Initiative, and has received a Certificate in Sustainable Capitalism & ESG Online from Berkeley Law Executive Education.

Loren Dunn is a Principal at Beveridge & Diamond PC. His environmental projects have involved hazardous waste and large multi-party toxics cleanup sites, including marine and freshwater sediment sites, landfills, and natural resource damages claims. He has also conducted extensive work obtaining permits for key facility operations. He has particularly deep knowledge of the following industries: manufactured gas facilities, regulated utilities, smelters and metals refineries, pesticide sites, and large area contamination sites. Before entering private practice, Loren worked for the US Environmental Protection Agency headquarters office as a senior policy economist. He received an agency merit award for excellent work on the development of the Agency's hazardous waste program and its regulations.

Loren has been repeatedly recognized as one of the leading environmental lawyers in the Northwest. He is a respected leader in handling complex environmental litigation, and

remediation and restoration projects under CERCLA and state “little Superfund” statutes. He helped to pioneer the successful use of technical, large-group mediation to secure more efficient resolution and cleanup of large sites impaired by hazardous substance releases. He is co-chair of the ADR process of one of the largest Superfund sites in the country located in the Pacific Northwest. He has also played a significant role in Washington’s environmental regulatory system development.

Clare Ellis of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP focuses her practice on air quality and climate change regulatory, litigation, and enforcement matters impacting the transportation and energy sectors. She is well-versed in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations impacting vehicle, equipment, and parts manufacturers and frequently advises clients on Clean Air Act mobile source regulatory compliance issues, including advice on certifications, emission standards, and preemption waiver issues. Clare works with vehicle, aftermarket parts, and original equipment manufacturers on compliance and certification, and has also advocated for clients in U.S. EPA and CARB rulemaking proceedings setting vehicle emission standards for the heavy-duty and nonroad sectors. Well-versed in U.S. EPA and CARB’s various emission credit and trading programs, she assists clients in understanding potential credit generation opportunities and compliance obligations under federal and state vehicle emission standards and certification programs, the California Low Carbon Fuel Standard, Advanced Clean Trucks, and cap-and-trade programs.

Brianna Fairbanks is an attorney-advisor for the Office of Regional Counsel at Region 9 of the Environmental Protection Agency. From September of 2011 to December of 2015, Brianna was a staff attorney with the Sierra Club Environmental Law Program working on the Beyond Coal Campaign. Brianna was a fellow with the firm of Shute, Mihaly, and Weinberger, LLC in San Francisco from September 2009 — September 2011. After graduating from the University of Oregon School of Law in 2007, Brianna completed an Honors Attorney Fellowship with Region 3 of the Environmental Protection Agency in Philadelphia, focusing on the enforcement of hazardous waste laws. Brianna graduated from Oberlin College in 2004 with a B.A. in Russian and East European Studies.

Michelle Ghafar is a senior attorney with Earthjustice’s California regional office in San Francisco. Prior to joining Earthjustice, Michelle served as a public service fellow at the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights (LCCR) in San Francisco and staffed LCCR’s Second Chance Reentry Legal Clinic.

She is a graduate of UCLA School of Law, where she completed both the Epstein Public Interest Law & Policy Program as well as the Critical Race Studies Specialization. At UCLA Law, she was a senior editor for the *UCLA Law Review* and worked at the East Bay Community Law Center and the ACLU. Her student Comment, “Exiting Solitary Confinement: A Survey of State Correctional Policies” was published in the *UCLA Law Review*.

Linda Sobczynski Gilleran is a Senior Associate at Farella Braun + Martel LLP, where her practice spans a diverse range of permitting, compliance, enforcement, and litigation matters arising under state and federal environmental laws, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and Endangered Species Act. Additionally, Linda represents large and small businesses in matters involving liability for cleanup and site remediation, environmental enforcement defense, and toxic torts.

Prior to commencing her legal career, Linda interned at several environmental regulatory agencies. Her internships have included service with the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Energy Commission, the Environmental and Natural Resources Division of the United States Department of Justice in Sacramento, California, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, DC.

Juge Gregg is a partner at Crowell & Moring LLP, where he advises domestic and multinational clients across industries on their full range of ESG programs and compliance, including corporate climate and net-zero commitments, multinational reporting frameworks, carbon offsets, Greentech transactions, social responsibility, greenwashing, investigations, and litigation.

Juge has significant experience supporting ESG initiatives, including most notably at a top-5 Fortune Global 500 company, where he served as Senior Corporate Counsel and the first attorney on the company's Sustainability Legal team, which has twice been recognized by the Financial Times as one of the most innovative in-house legal teams in North America. In that role, he provided legal partnership to business teams across multiple industry sectors on their highest profile sustainability initiatives, including the development of the company's carbon offset strategy and purchasing program, circular economy initiatives, transportation decarbonization, sustainable shopping programs, product and supply chain sustainability, human rights policies and due diligence, and green claims.

In addition to his ESG practice, Juge also provides counseling and handles litigation matters across the spectrum of environmental matters, including in matters involving the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and project development, international environmental law, Superfund/CERCLA, Endangered Species Act, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Inflation Reduction Act, and Native American law.

Prior to entering the private sector, Juge served as a Trial Attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice's Environment and Natural Resources Division in the Law and Policy and Natural Resources Sections, working on high-profile environmental, natural resources, and Native American law issues and litigation.

Juge also taught international environmental law and policy as a visiting professor at Stanford University's Stanford in Washington program. He earned his law degree from Stanford Law

School and his bachelor's degree in Earth Systems from Stanford University. He hails from Alaska, where he grew up in a small arts and adventure community.

Jayni F. Hein co-chairs Covington & Burling's Carbon Management and Climate Mitigation industry group. She previously served as Senior Director for Clean Energy, Infrastructure & the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) at the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ).

During her tenure at CEQ, she oversaw the Biden Administration's ambitious environmental and clean energy agenda, leading work on low carbon projects and climate disclosure, and advancing the successful implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (2021) and Inflation Reduction Act (2022).

Jayni has extensive experience advising clients on climate and environmental laws and regulations, including the Clean Air Act, NEPA, and Endangered Species Act, as well as corporate decarbonization goals and reporting. Leveraging her senior government experience, Jayni advises companies and investors on compliance and strategy in light of increased scrutiny of corporate climate and net-zero commitments. She advises clients on the legal and policy issues relating to ESG and climate-related regulatory requirements, investor demands, global reporting frameworks, and strategic business opportunities.

In addition, as the former senior political appointee spearheading work to revise permitting regulations and issue guidance on climate change and greenhouse gas emissions, Jayni offers clients first-hand experience with infrastructure projects that require federal and state permits and authorization. She helps clients identify new funding opportunities and successfully advance clean energy and other infrastructure projects, including onshore and offshore wind, solar, hydrogen, transmission, semiconductor, and carbon, capture, and sequestration (CCS) projects.

Clients benefit from her ability to creatively troubleshoot issues, establish relationships across government, and engage policymakers, industry, non-profit organizations, and other key stakeholders in constructive conversations around climate change, environmental justice, and corporate decarbonization goals.

Gwen Keyes Fleming, partner at DLA Piper, co-chairs the firm's Environmental Practice group. Strength in building relationships, advising on complex legal and regulatory matters, in-depth knowledge of local, state and federal governments, and helping clients achieve their business and operational imperatives are at the heart of Gwen Fleming's practice.

Gwen advises a wide variety of business, institutional and organizational clients on all aspects of environmental policy, government relations, compliance planning, incident response, subsequent enforcement and litigation matters and special investigations for private and municipal clients. Having worked on matters involving every environmental statute, a significant portion of Gwen's practice focuses on helping clients understand the regulatory and litigation risks

associated with emerging contaminants, including PFAS and ethylene oxide, as well as plastics and asbestos. She also advises clients on environment, social and governance (ESG) issues and the impacts climate change can have on business operations.

Gwen spent more than twenty years in the public sector, serving as both an elected and appointed official at the state and local levels, as well as in various agencies within the federal government. She served as Principal Legal Advisor (General Counsel) for Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and as Chief of Staff to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) during the Obama Administration.

In addition, Gwen served as the EPA Region 4 (Southeastern Region) Regional Administrator (RA), where she was responsible for establishing and implementing environmental policy, including the principles of environmental justice for eight southeastern states and six federally recognized tribes. Gwen finalized the Region's Environmental Justice (EJ) Policy (previously stagnated for 10 years), instituted regular environmental justice information sessions with state partners and communities, and created a Regional EJ Interagency Working Group with other federal agencies to strategically and comprehensively address community concerns. Gwen also instituted the Colleges and Underserved Community Partnership Program (CUPP) which partnered college students with senior federal staff to provide much needed environmental, health and technical services to some of the poorest jurisdictions in their region.

Notably, Gwen is a twice elected District Attorney for the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit in DeKalb County, Georgia. She was the first African American and first woman to hold that office.

Robert Infelise is a Partner at Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP, where he handles high-stakes litigation in a broad range of substantive areas for real estate developers and investors, financial institutions and high net-worth individuals. In an era in which few matters actually go to trial, he has tried forty matters to judgment. Bob handles matters in a broad range of substantive areas, including environmental law, tax and electrical generation. He is a leader in the use of judicial reference as a mechanism for potential defendants to avoid jury trials.

In addition to his practice, Bob is a longtime adjunct lecturer at Berkeley Law. Depending on the semester, he teaches Environmental Law & Policy, the Environmental Law Writing Seminar, Climate Change & the Law, Pathways to Carbon Neutrality, Remedies and Evidence. Bob has been awarded the honorific title of the Christopher J. Edley, Jr., Lecturer.

Bob has litigated environmental matters involving the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and Clean Water Act, as well as their state law analogues and common law claims; California's Proposition 65; and the federal Americans With Disabilities Act and its state law analogue. He was lead counsel for a lender and developer in one of the few environmental cost recovery

actions tried to a jury. Bob was also co-counsel for the developer plaintiff in the seminal California case focusing on stigma damages.

Bob has represented taxpayers in connection with complex tax deferral and minimization strategies in the federal courts and before the Internal Revenue Service, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the California Franchise Tax Board. He represented high net-worth clients against a major accounting firm stemming from its mass marketing of a tax deferral strategy.

Bob also focuses on issues involving electrical generation and supply. He represented the commercial building industry in proceedings before the California Public Utilities Commission relating to creating a competitive platform to provide power to office buildings. Bob negotiates electrical supply contracts for end users.

Laura Kerr is a partner in Stoel Rives' Environment, Land Use and Natural Resources practice group, where she counsels clients on complex challenges arising under federal and state environmental laws. She advises on environmental compliance, cleanup of contaminated properties and managing environmental risks in transactions. She also regularly defends clients in federal and state environmental enforcement actions.

Clients seek Laura's guidance on the multitude of federal, state, and local regulations governing air and water quality, waste management, chemical spills, land contamination and other environmental liabilities. She has extensive experience working with clients on issues related to federal statutes including the Clean Water Act (CWA); Clean Air Act (CAA); Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA); Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA); Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA); Emergency Planning & Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA); and analogous state laws.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Laura was an environmental researcher and educator with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and for a natural resources nonprofit organization that partnered with the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Geological Survey at Mount St. Helens. Her deep understanding of environmental science and hands-on experience with government environmental agencies enhance her ability to communicate complicated scientific ideas and find pragmatic solutions to the environmental problems clients face.

Peter Lehner is a Managing Attorney at Earthjustice. He directs the Sustainable Food & Farming Program, developing strategies to promote a more environmentally sound agricultural system and to reduce health, environmental, and climate harms from the production of our food.

Previously, Peter was the Executive Director of the Natural Resources Defense Council and the NRDC Action Fund. Among other new initiatives, Peter shaped a clean food program with food waste, antibiotic-free meat, regional food, and climate mitigation projects. Peter is one of the leading experts on the impact of agriculture on climate change and is the author of *Farming for Our Future; the Science, Law, and Policy of Climate-Neutral Agriculture*.

Patricia Lin is an accomplished in-house attorney with global environmental experience in project development and permitting, operations, remediation, and complex transactions. As Senior Environmental and Litigation Counsel at Corning Incorporated, Patricia manages the legal aspects of Corning's global environmental audit program, advises on environmental permitting in New York, Texas, and the western U.S., and leads dispute resolution efforts on environmental and contractual claims. Before joining Corning, Patricia spent more than 15 years in the oil and gas industry in various legal roles, including as chief legal counsel for development of an international gas project and environmental impact assessment counsel for major capital projects. Patricia also has significant experience managing human rights issues related to project development, particularly involuntary resettlement and mitigation of social and public health impacts.

Derek McDonald, Partner at Baker Botts LLP, practices in the areas of environmental law and litigation, concentrating on air quality matters and development of high-profile projects. He frequently handles cases before the US Environmental Protection Agency, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Texas State Office of Administrative Hearings, the Railroad Commission of Texas and other federal and state environmental agencies, including proceedings on air quality, water quality, municipal, hazardous and radioactive waste and endangered species. Mr. McDonald's litigation experience includes representing energy clients in complex environmental litigation in Texas state and federal courts.

Karen McGaffey is Of Counsel at Perkins Coie LLP, where she is the firmwide energy law lead. has over 30 years of experience practicing environmental and energy law. She assists clients with permitting, regulatory compliance, and risk management under state and federal environmental laws. Her practice emphasizes renewable energy and infrastructure project development, climate regulation and policy, and sustainability issues.

Kevin Poloncarz is a Partner at Covington & Burling LLP. He represents a broad range of clients on policy, regulatory, litigation, commercial, and enforcement matters involving air quality, climate change, and clean energy. He has been deeply involved in the development of regulations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions under the federal Clean Air Act and the California Global Warming Solutions Act, AB 32.

Mr. Poloncarz is recognized as a leading lawyer on California's air quality and climate change programs. He is ranked by Chambers USA among the nation's leading climate change attorneys and California's leading environmental lawyers, with sources describing him as "a phenomenal" and "tremendous lawyer." He was named an "Energy & Environmental Trailblazer" by the National Law Journal in 2017 and was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Environmental Lawyers in 2018.

He has extensive experience with California's Cap-and-Trade Program, Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS), Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS), and similar programs in other jurisdictions, and in related commercial transactions. Poloncarz has a broad base of experience in California environmental laws and has represented clients in permitting and development of major energy projects throughout the state.

Kathryn L. Oehlschlager is a Partner at Downey Brand LLP. With nearly twenty years of experience in environmental law, Kathryn Oehlschlager has built a robust practice spanning environmental and land use compliance counseling, state and federal enforcement defense, and major litigation.

Public and private clients turn to Kathryn for advice on compliance with all facets of environmental and land use law, including CEQA, NEPA, federal and state endangered species laws, contaminated site remediation, water quality and supply issues, and laws regulating solid and hazardous waste. She routinely represents clients in all aspects of the CEQA project review process, including preparation, review, and analysis of negative declarations, draft environmental impact reports, and final environmental impact reports. Kathryn also has substantial experience managing contaminated sites, from investigation and remediation through the entitlement process and redevelopment.

Kathryn also has a proven track record with high-stakes litigation, having handled numerous land use and environmental cases in state and federal trial courts and through the courts of appeal. Kathryn is equally comfortable handling writs of mandamus and traditional civil litigation matters, and regularly represents clients in administrative appeals, including the second appeal ever heard by the Delta Stewardship Council.

As a compliance counselor, Kathryn's goal is to help her clients minimize downstream risk and avoid litigation and enforcement. As a litigator, Kathryn's goal is to achieve the best results for her clients, deftly navigating administrative proceedings, negotiations with regulators and opposing parties, and high-stakes trials.

Richard Roos-Collins is co-founder and Principal of the Water and Power Law Group PC based in Berkeley, California. He represents water districts and other public agencies, tribes, conservation groups, and renewable power generators in cases to enhance the sustainability of our resources. He specializes in multi-party settlements. He is general counsel for the Klamath River Renewal Corporation, which is undertaking the largest dam removal in history. He serves on advisory boards for UC Berkeley Law and UC Santa Barbara's Bren School of Environmental Science and Policy. He is an Adjunct Professor at University of San Francisco Law School.

Donald E. Sobelman is a Partner at Farella Braun + Martell, where he currently serves as Chair of the Environmental Practice Group. With more than 25 years of experience, Don Sobelman helps clients navigate the complexities of federal and California environmental law. His multifaceted practice encompasses administrative enforcement defense, civil litigation in state

and federal court, compliance with regulations and permits, contaminated site cleanup and redevelopment, and transactional due diligence.

Don has tackled a diverse range of environmental law matters, including:

- Serving as lead counsel for clients in administrative proceedings and civil litigation in trial and appellate courts involving state and federal statutes (such as CERCLA/Superfund, RCRA, the Clean Water Act, the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Act, and Proposition 65) and governmental authorities (such as the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), the California Regional Water Quality Boards (RWQCBs), and county district attorneys);
- Litigating complex environmental tort and nuisance actions involving personal injury and property damage claims related to contamination;
- Resolving contractual disputes and claims arising from environmental indemnities;
- Ensuring compliance with local, state, and federal regulations and permits pertaining to hazardous materials, hazardous waste, groundwater and stormwater quality, wetlands, and indoor air quality; and
- Managing sites requiring investigation, risk assessment, and remediation to address vapor intrusion and/or soil and groundwater contamination, including from volatile organic compounds (VOCs) such as PCE and TCE, metals such as lead and hexavalent chromium, PFAS compounds, petroleum products, pesticides, and PCBs.

Don's practice also routinely involves advising clients on the purchase, sale, and redevelopment of brownfields and other properties. He manages all aspects of the environmental due diligence process, negotiates indemnities for environmental liabilities, and assists clients with obtaining insurance coverage for environmental risks. In addition, Don helps developers navigate the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and land use entitlements process, including with respect to general plan amendments, zoning revisions, and conditional use permits. He has significant experience as lead counsel in CEQA and land use litigation in both trial and appellate courts.

Don is a graduate of Harvard Law School (1996, cum laude) and UCLA (1991, BA English, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa).

Allyn L. Stern is a Managing Principal at Beveridge and Diamond's Seattle office. As a former EPA Regional Counsel with 30 years of agency experience, Allyn joined Beveridge & Diamond in 2019, bringing her government expertise to the private sector. She is dedicated to helping businesses develop proactive environmental compliance strategies, navigate governmental regulations, and negotiate with agencies to develop reasonable and implementable solutions to enforcement matters. Whether the matter involves air, water, or waste regulation, Superfund

cleanup, reuse and recycling, or disaster preparedness, Allyn's diverse experience serves as a guiding authority on environmental compliance and government regulations.

Allyn serves clients in a wide variety of sectors, including government, energy infrastructure, technology, transportation, and product manufacturing.

As EPA Regional Counsel, Allyn was the senior executive responsible for advising career staff and political appointees on litigation strategy, enforcement approaches, and decision making to implement all the laws under EPA authority. Her work also influenced national decision making, particularly on enforcement matters, Superfund, and Clean Water Act litigation and policy. Allyn supports clients through federal and state investigations and works well with government regulators to get the best outcomes for her clients in enforcement matters.

Allyn advises companies on the ever-expanding universe of laws relating to plastics and packaging, including Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), single-use plastics, recycling definitions, minimum recycled content requirements, and issues relating to advanced recycling.

With increased public scrutiny of environmental claims, Allyn helps companies ensure that their marketing messages follow Federal Trade Commission guidelines ("Green Guides") and relevant state consumer protection laws. Allyn formerly managed EPA's press team in San Francisco and understands how to align a company's message with its mission without overstating a claim or facing accusations of "greenwashing."

Allyn co-chairs B&D's Environmental group and Textiles and Fashion group, and is the former co-chair of the firm's Water group. She lived in San Francisco for 25 years and now resides in the Pacific Northwest. Allyn is an avid reader and book collector who previously owned a successful bookstore.