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EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, ARMY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMAND, Aberdeen, MD
Attorney-Advisor (October 2006 – Present)
Responsible for Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), and munitions issues. Highlights include developing land use controls (LUCs) that have served as the model for all Army installations, completing first-ever Army Trustee natural resource damage assessment, and providing policy-level advice on groundwater restoration in RCRA corrective actions and CERCLA cleanups. Responsibilities also include advice on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) issues, coordination on real property issues for Base Closure and Realignment (BRAC) properties, review of performance-based contracts, advice on fiscal law issues, and the command ethics counselor. Supervise team of three attorneys.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, PENNSYLVANIA NATIONAL GUARD, Annville, PA
Deputy Staff Judge Advocate (July 2004 – September 2006)
Reviewed, researched, and provided legal interpretation of federal and state environmental statutes, including: the CERCLA, Federal Water Pollution Control Act (CWA), and NEPA. Provided legal review of Environmental Impact Statements for two major federal construction projects. Oversaw Pennsylvania National Guard response to a CERCLA contribution action. Responded to all Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests. Served as counselor to the Real Property Planning Board, Environmental Quality Board, and United States Property and Fiscal Officer.

MID-ATLANTIC ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER, Wilmington, DE
Staff Attorney/Senior Staff Attorney (June 1998 – June 2004)
Successfully litigated over twenty citizen suits and administrative law cases on behalf of non-profit environmental organizations in state and federal courts. Conducted factual and legal research, discovery, pretrial motions, and litigation. Counseled clients in all aspects of federal and state environmental law, including: the Clean Air Act, the Endangered Species Act, the CWA, and FOIA. Provided comments to federal and state environmental agencies regarding agency rulemaking. Supervised up to seven clinic interns per semester at the Widener University School of Law Environmental and Natural Resources Law Clinic performing legal and factual research, discovery review, and motions practice. Drafted successful grant proposals to both local and national foundations.

Lead or co-counsel in over twenty lawsuits, including:

Fla. Pub. Interest Research Group v. EPA, 386 F.3d 1070 (11th Cir. 2004)
W. Va. Rivers Coalition v. EPA, 2004 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 2574 (E.D. Pa.)
CORALations v. EPA, 477 F. Supp. 2d 413 (D.P.R. 2007)

Am. Littoral Soc'y v. EPA, 199 F.Supp.2d 217 (D.N.J. 2002)
Sierra Club v. EPA, 166 F.Supp.2d 406 (D.Md. 2001)
Am. Canoe Ass'n v. EPA, 30 F.Supp.2d 908 (E.D.Va. 1999)
Zlomsowitch v. Pa. Dep't of Envt'l Protection, Pa. Envirn. LEXIS 56 (Nov. 15, 2004)

NAVAL AVIATION ENGINEERING SERVICE UNIT, Philadelphia, PA
Program Manager (September 1994 – September 1997)
Awarded and administered government contracts worth over $11 million supporting military aircraft. Supervised a worldwide workforce of 70 employees and over 150 contractors. Provided contract management of Foreign Military Sales of engineering technical support.

CARRIER AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING SQUADRON 123, Norfolk, VA
Naval Flight Officer (October 1990 – August 1994)
Operated E-2C Hawkeye aircraft throughout Europe and Southwest Asia.

TRAINING SQUADRON 10, Pensacola, FL
Student Naval Flight Officer (June 1989 – September 1990)
Completed Undergraduate Naval Flight Officer training.

EDUCATION

Widener University School of Law, Wilmington, DE
Juris Doctor, cum laude (May 1998)

Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Service and International Politics (May 1989)

ADMISSIONS

Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania and Delaware (inactive)
Court of Appeals of Maryland (inactive)

United States Courts of Appeals for the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Eleventh, and D.C. Circuits

United States District Courts for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, District of Delaware, and the District of Maryland

OTHER

Adjunct Professor of Law, Widener University School of Law (Ocean and Coastal Law)
Chair, In-House Counsel Committee, American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (SEER)
Widener University School of Law Alumni Association Outstanding Recent Alumni Award (2003)

PUBLICATIONS

Is Groundwater Different?, 24 NAT. RESOURCES & ENVIRON. 39 (Winter 2010)

Global Climate Change and National Security, 22 NAT. RESOURCES & ENVIRON. 36 (Winter 2008)

Send in the Guard: The National Guard and its Response to Natural Disasters, 20 NAT. RESOURCES & ENVIRON. 21 (Spring 2006)

Integrating Bullets with Butterfly Wings, 20 NAT. RESOURCES & ENVIRON. 35 (Fall 2005)

Oil Pollution and Environmental Terrorism: An Overview of the Potential Legal Response in the United States, 9 WIDENER L. SYMP. J. 401 (2003)