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Background

- 26 years of experience prosecuting and defending environmental and toxic exposure claims
- Co-founder of the Environmental Law Network
- Nationally recognized as one of the best environmental lawyers in The Best Lawyers in America, 2008-2011
- Named by Chambers & Partners as a leading practitioner in Environmental Law in Ohio, 2010

Areas of Experience and Focus

- Arbitrator for American Arbitration Association in environmental cases
- Environmental Cost Recovery including two current Ohio VAP cases
- Environmental Insurance Coverage Litigation
- Toxic Tort Litigation

Arbitration and Allocation Experience

- AAA Commercial Panel Member since 1999 and have served on several contract and allocation panels; recently selected in private mediation involving landfill construction contract issues
- CERCLA practitioner since 1985 and have represented all categories of PRPs in landfills, waste oil recycling sites, manufacturing facilities, marinas, gas stations, warehouses, manufactured gas plants, residential areas and mining sites
- Reported CERCLA decision in *ARCG II v. Conrail, Inc.*, 549 F.Supp. 2d 981 (N.D. Ohio 2008)
- Arbitrator for AAA in several matters where parties agreed to binding arbitration; cases involved a landfill, remedial technology dispute and a mining site. Federal judge recently upheld Panel allocation decision in *Halliburton Energy Services Inc. v. NL Industries*, 533 F.Supp. 2d 733 (S.D. Tx. 2008) and 618 F.Supp 2d 614 (S.D. Tx. 2009)

- Landfill and remedial technology arbitrations involved contract interpretation relating to construction and operation of facilities; extensive contract documents and expert witness testimony in multi-day hearings
- Panel Member in several FIFRA arbitrations including multi-week hearing in September 2009 and November 2010
- Mediator in CERCLA allocation matter involving Ohio landfill

Publications and Presentations

- "Environmental Redux" Ohio Association of Metal Finishers, April 2011
- "Cost Recovery: Lawyers As A Plus?" Ohio State Bar Association 26th Annual Environment, Energy and Resources Law Seminar; April 8, 2011
- "Cost Recovery: Are Lawyers a Plus?" Ohio Brownfield Conference, January 2011
- "Cost Recovery: Where Are We Now?" Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, Environmental Law Seminar, November 2009
- "Environmental Law Issues" Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association, Summer Workshop, June 2009
- *US Supreme Court To Hear Environmental Cases*, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Journal March 2009
- NEO Association of Corporate Counsel Environmental CLE, January 2008
- Cleveland Bar Association Seminar on Insurance Coverage, 2005

Professional and Civic Involvement

- Shaker Lakes Nature Center, Board of Trustees 2009-2011
- Alumni Council, University School 2009-2011
- Chair of the Environmental Law Network, 2004-2011
- Served as chair of the Cleveland Bar Association Environmental Law Committee

Education

- University of Michigan, BA English, 1982
- Case Western Reserve University School of Law, JD, 1985

Bar Admissions/Licenses

- State of Ohio
- State of New York
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- Southern District of New York
- Eastern District of New York
- Second Circuit Court of Appeals
- Northern District of Ohio
- Southern District of Ohio
- Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals