

Firm Overview

Beveridge & Diamond's 100 lawyers in 7 U.S. offices help clients around the world resolve critical environmental, natural resource, project development, and sustainability issues relating to their facilities, products, and operations. We focus on delivering outstanding client service and value through strategic advice, regulatory compliance counseling, transaction and land use support, or representation in litigation and alternative dispute resolution.

Our team includes former in-house lawyers from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of Justice, and other federal and state resource and environmental agencies.

In addition, the firm and its professionals regularly garner accolades for pro bono and diversity accomplishments - areas in which we strive to demonstrate leadership and work closely with our clients and communities. In 2013, the firm received a Thomas L. Sager Award from the Minority Corporate Counsel Association for its leadership and accomplishments in the areas of diversity and inclusion.

Comprehensive Services

Clients worldwide and from numerous industry sectors rely on us for advice in all areas of environmental, natural resource, and land use regulation and transactions. We counsel clients on managing the full product life cycle – from raw material sourcing to production and distribution to reuse, recycling, and disposal. We also counsel on land and facility issues, and assist when matters require litigation and alternative dispute resolution. In every case or matter, we focus on efficiently and effectively securing the outcome that best serves the interests of our client.

Broad Issue Coverage for Products and Facilities

Key areas in which we advise and litigate for clients include:

- ◆ Chemical regulation and risk assessment
- ◆ Pesticides & agricultural biotechnology
- ◆ Air regulation & permitting, including greenhouse gas emissions
- ◆ Energy and industrial development
- ◆ Land use and project development
- ◆ Water quality regulation
- ◆ Consumer product material restrictions, marketing and labeling
- ◆ Wetlands and endangered species
- ◆ Conflict minerals, timber, and supply chain management

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- ◆ Occupational health & safety requirements
- ◆ Electronic waste
- ◆ International environmental regulation and governance
- ◆ Environmental stewardship and sustainability
- ◆ Environmental cleanups, waste management and citizen suits

Strength & Strategy for Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

In the litigation and alternative dispute resolution area, we couple our regulatory expertise with a deep bench of trial lawyers, including many veterans of the Department of Justice and federal judicial clerkships, to defend and prosecute actions including product protection and toxic tort, project development, defense of civil and criminal enforcement actions, citizen suits, challenges to agency action, contaminated property cases, and general commercial and insurance litigation. Our white collar team includes three former federal environmental crimes prosecutors and a former criminal investigator. We have decades of favorable results for our clients, through dispositive motions, trial, appeal, and settlement.

Firm Origins, Service Philosophy, and Recognition

The firm's origins in 1974 and its decades of evolution parallel U.S. environmental and natural resource regulation. Founded by the first Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, attorneys with the firm have decades of federal legal experience on environmental and resource issues. We and our clients have succeeded because of our focus, discipline, and perspective. We know where environmental regulation and enforcement has been and is going, and we help our clients prepare for the future.

The firm has been named to the *National Law Journal's* "Midsize Hot List." *U.S. News-Best Lawyers* rates Beveridge & Diamond as a Tier 1 nationwide firm for Environmental Law and Environmental Litigation. *Chambers USA Guide to the Legal Profession* lists the firm among national leaders in Environmental practices.