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Drew guides clients through complex regulatory issues and high stakes litigation arising under the nation's clean water laws.

His practice focuses primarily on issues arising under the nation's water quality laws and spans regulatory counseling, enforcement defense, and litigation. He is currently the Deputy Chair of the firm's Water Practice Group and represents clients from both the private and public sector in matters arising under the Clean Water Act and state law.

Drew also plays an active role in the firm's pesticide data compensation practice. He has brought multiple arbitrations to obtain compensation from competitors who have relied on clients' pesticide data to obtain registrations.

Counseling data center operators on a variety of obligations under the Clean Water Act relating to the discharge of wastewater and storage of petroleum products.

- Assisting clients with the negotiation and renewal of NPDES permits.
- Authoring amicus briefs in cases impacting the scope of the Clean Water Act and the regulation of pesticide products.
- Scoping and executing comprehensive compliance audits.
- Defending clients in cases of first impression brought under the Clean Water Act.
- Defending clients in toxic tort litigation.
- Challenging local ordinances on preemption grounds.
- Defending clients in state and federal enforcement actions, including the negotiation of consent orders and consent decrees.
- Representing clients in multiple aspects of the cost recovery and cleanup processes under the nation's hazardous site cleanup statutes.

Drew also contributes to the firm's AgTech Resource Center by providing timely updates on the latest developments in biotechnology regulation.

Prior to entering private practice, Drew gained experience working for the government and tackling emerging issues relating to adaptation to climate change. Immediately after graduating from Georgetown University Law Center, Drew served as a special law clerk at the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Philadelphia, where he prepared cost recovery and enforcement actions under CERCLA and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

Education

- University of Virginia (B.A., 2008)
 - Biology and History
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Echols Scholar
- Georgetown University (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2011)
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Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Pennsylvania
- Virginia

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court – Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court – District of Columbia
- U.S. Court of Appeals - Ninth Circuit

Publications

February 19, 2019

Supreme Court to Decide Whether “Indirect” Discharges Require NPDES Permits

Beveridge & Diamond

December 21, 2018

N.Y. Drinking Water Panel Recommends Stringent Limits for Three Emerging Contaminants

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December 12, 2018

EPA and Army Corps Again Propose to Redefine Waters Regulated Under the Clean Water Act

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December 5, 2018

Justices Request the Government's Views on CWA Discharge Cases

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September 25, 2018

Pair of Clean Water Act Decisions Creates Circuit Split over Discharges to Groundwater

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September 6, 2018

Petitions Seek Supreme Court Review of Fourth and Ninth Circuit Decisions That Could Expand the CWA's NPDES Program

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August 17, 2018

Environmental Groups Score First Victory to Expand Regulation of Stormwater Under the NPDES Program

Beveridge & Diamond

April 13, 2018

Fourth Circuit Joins Ninth In Holding That "Indirect" Discharges May Violate the CWA

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February 27, 2018

Discharges and Hydrologic Connection to Groundwater: EPA Seeking Comment as Courts Weigh In

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February 2, 2018

Ninth Circuit Holds That Indirect Discharges Require NPDES Permits

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January 29, 2018

First Circuit Shuts Down Use of TMDLs to Expand NPDES Stormwater Permitting

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January 29, 2018

DOJ Clarifies Limits on Third Party Payments in Environmental Settlements

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January 22, 2018

Unanimous Supreme Court: WOTUS Rule Challenges Belong in Federal District Courts

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June 28, 2017

Replacement of the Clean Water Rule to Be a Two-Step Process

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June 9, 2017

DOJ Eliminates Option of Third Party Payments in Settlements

Beveridge & Diamond

January 9, 2017

CWA Permit Shield Requires Compliance with Incorporated Quality Standards

Beveridge & Diamond

August 4, 2016

First-Ever Federal Labeling Requirements for Bioengineered Foods Signed Into Law

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June 1, 2015

Cosmetic Safety Legislation Introduced Again

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May 6, 2015

China Proposes Framework for Public Participation in Environmental Policymaking and Enforcement

Beveridge & Diamond

May 1, 2015

Toxic Tort and Product Liability Quarterly

Beveridge & Diamond

January 5, 2015

CPSC Proposes Additional Phthalate Restrictions

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