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Chad assists clients in identifying litigation and enforcement risks on environmental and land use issues.

Prior to joining B&D, Chad served as Assistant Corporation Counsel (ACC) with the New York City Law Department's Environmental Law Division. As an ACC, Chad counseled the City on development projects, negotiated enforcement and remediation actions, and briefed and argued environmental and land use matters in court. His work with the City included matters related to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the New York Environmental Rights Amendment, the public trust doctrine, Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grants, state and local environmental review statutes, zoning, takings claims, and nuisance claims. Chad also assisted in defending New York City's efforts to accommodate an unprecedented influx of individuals from abroad seeking shelter in the city.

Before working for the New York City Law Department, Chad served as a law clerk to the Honorable Myrna Pérez of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Prior to clerking, Chad worked on real estate matters at an AmLaw 100 firm.

**Admitted only in New York; not a member of the DC Bar. Practicing in DC pursuant to D.C. App. Rule 49(c)(8). DC practice supervised by members of the DC Bar.*

Education

- University of Chicago (B.A., *with Honors*, 2010)
 - Economics and Public Policy
 - Odyssey Scholar
 - Gilbert F. White Fellow
- New York University (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2021)
 - Order of the Coif
 - Morris R. Henkin Prize for excellence in Real Estate law
 - Moelis Urban Law & Public Affairs Fellow

Bar Admissions

- New York

Academic Publications

- *The Road to Affordable Housing: Replacing Highways with Homes in NYC*, 42 Pace Law Review. 68 (2021).
- *Congestion Pricing and the Opportunity to Confront New York City's Air Quality Emergency*, 45 William & Mary Environmental Law & Policy Review. 859 (2021).
- *Detroit is Not Enormous: Size, Revenue, and the City's Ongoing Crisis*, Georgetown Public Policy Review. (August 18, 2014).