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### **Collin's national practice in environmental, toxic tort, and constitutional litigation focuses on attaining regulatory compliance across industrial sectors.**

His background in the humanities and natural sciences uniquely positions him to understand clients' sophisticated technical processes, provide clients counsel concerning these processes, and then capably represent clients' interests in any litigation forum.

Collin's interest in environmental litigation stems from his study of the intersection between law and science. Before law school, Collin interned with the Sandia Mountain Natural History Center studying the ecological effects of forest fire on forest density and subsequently worked as a research assistant with the Carnegie Museum's Department of Invertebrate Zoology. He has also participated in numerous college field study programs in geology, ecology, and paleontology. Collin chose to specialize in environmental litigation largely due to these experiences, which helped him to recognize the broad applications of environmental law.

During his time at the University of Michigan Law School, Collin served as a Symposium Editor for the *Michigan Journal of Law Reform* and was a Student Attorney in the school's Human Trafficking Clinic. He was also a board member of the Environmental Law Society and participated in the National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition—as both a team member and a coach. Additionally, Collin contributed various publications in environmental, insurance, and international refugee law to the *Michigan Journal of Environmental and Administrative Law*, the *Michigan Journal of Public Affairs*, and the University of Michigan's Program in Refugee and Asylum Law's online resource, RefLaw.

### **Education**

- University of Pittsburgh (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2012)
  - Environmental Studies, History & Philosophy of Science
- University of Michigan (J.D., *cum laude*, 2015)

### **Clerkships**

- United States District Judge James O. Browning, U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico

- Chief Justice Barbara J. Vigil, Supreme Court of New Mexico

### **Bar Admissions**

- Maryland

### **Court Admissions**

- U.S. District Court – New Mexico

### **Professional Affiliations**

- Member, Maryland State Bar Criminal Law & Practice Section

### **Publications**

- *Actively Managing Risky Behavior: How the Insurance Industry Should Address a Changing Climate*, 12 MICH. J. PUB. AFFAIRS 35 (2015).
- *Legal Protection for Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems*, 4 MICH. J. ENVTL. & ADMIN. L. 183 (2014).
- *No Refuge From Climate Change*, REFLAW, (Dec. 8, 2014), <http://www.reflaw.org/no-refuge-from-climate-change/>.

## **Representative Matters**

Collin's recent experience includes:

- Representing an energy company in a lawsuit alleging Clean Air Act (CAA) and state common law tort claims.
- Representing a landfill in multi-forum litigation to challenge onerous permit conditions.
- Counseling an energy company concerning mergers and acquisitions and various mining leases.
- Counseling an energy company on multiple insurance-coverage issues related to CAA citizen suit.

## **Outside the Office**

When he's not in the office, Collin can often be found at the gym. He is an avid weightlifter and a member of the United States Powerlifting Association and USA Powerlifting.

## Publications

May 13, 2020

**Court Rejects Umbrella Coverage for Oil Spill Cleanup Costs where Underlying Insurance Requirements were Not Satisfied**

Beveridge & Diamond

October 11, 2019

**EPA Proposes Revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule**

Beveridge & Diamond

May 30, 2019

**Seventh Circuit Underscores Importance of “Scientifically Reliable” Expert Opinion in Complex Environmental Insurance Coverage Cases**

Beveridge & Diamond

February 4, 2019

**Texas Supreme Court Holds Energy Company Can Recover Substantial Defense Costs Under Insurance Policy Covering Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill**

Beveridge & Diamond

May 2018

**Toxic Tort and Product Liability Quarterly**

Beveridge & Diamond

February 2018

**Toxic Tort and Product Liability Quarterly**

Beveridge & Diamond