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Collin maintains a national practice focused on complex environmental and toxic tort litigation matters.

While Collin focuses primarily on environmental litigation, he also applies his litigation background to resolve associated regulatory issues, advise on transactions involving environmental matters, and recover insurance dollars on behalf of policyholders facing critical loss exposure.

His educational background in the humanities and natural sciences, and his experience clerking in federal and state supreme courts, uniquely position him to understand clients' sophisticated technical processes, provide clients counsel concerning these processes, and then capably represent clients' interests in any litigation forum. During his time at the University of Michigan Law School, Collin contributed publications on environmental and climate insurance-related legal topics to the *Michigan Journal of Environmental and Administrative Law* and the *Michigan Journal of Public Affairs*.

Through his emphasis on litigation and enforcement involving critical infrastructure and emerging chemicals of concern, Collin is well-versed in helping clients make reasoned judgments in complicated situations. Strategically navigating the complex interplay between political, community, and industry interests – especially in the context of ongoing air litigation and enforcement – is always the priority.

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

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- New Mexico
- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals - D.C. Circuit
- U.S. District Court – District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court - Maryland
- U.S. District Court – New Mexico

Professional Affiliations

- Defense Research Institute (DRI), Toxic Tort and Environmental Law Committee
- American Bar Association, Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources

Honors & Awards

- *Super Lawyers, part of Thomson Reuters, Maryland Rising Star* (2022-2025)
- "Best Lawyers: Ones To Watch," a Best Lawyers® publication, recognition in Environmental Law and Environmental Litigation (2025)

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)

Publications

May 8, 2025

Maryland General Assembly Passes Key Environmental and Energy Legislation in Spring 2025 Session, Including EPR for Packaging and Solar Permitting Reforms

Beveridge & Diamond

April 10, 2025

Maryland's Building Energy Performance Standards: Recent Legislative Amendments Could Impact Looming Compliance Deadline

Beveridge & Diamond

June 25, 2024

SCOTUS Freezes States' Efforts to Resolve Water Conflict

Beveridge & Diamond

February 27, 2024

Supreme Court Update: How Would Changes to *Chevron* Deference Affect EPA Risk Analyses

Beveridge & Diamond

December 21, 2023

MDE Proposes Building Energy Performance Standards Regulations and Opens Comment Period

Beveridge & Diamond

December 6, 2022

New Plastics Bill Would Place a Moratorium on All Permits for New Plastics Facilities Until Massive Slate of New Environmental Regulations Adopted

Beveridge & Diamond

August 11, 2022

Ethylene Oxide Update: Second Risk Review Process Resolves EPA-OIG Conflict; EPA Advances Sterilizer Agenda

Beveridge & Diamond

December 7, 2021

EPA Forges Ahead on EO Actions without Completing Review of the Controversial IRIS Value or Its Use in Rulemaking

Beveridge & Diamond

December 28, 2020

EPA Revises Lead and Copper Rule for the First Time in Three Decades

Beveridge & Diamond

May 13, 2020

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

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

Representative Matters

Collin's recent experience includes:

- Representing two petrochemical manufacturers in federal toxic tort lawsuits alleging cancer claims.
- Representing an energy company in a federal citizen suit alleging Clean Air Act and state common law tort claims.
- Representing landfill and waste-energy facility in federal odor nuisance lawsuits.
- Representing a landfill in multi-forum litigation to challenge unlawful permit conditions.
- Counseling start-up on potential acquisitions of contaminated property for redevelopment.
- Counseling an energy company on mergers and acquisitions of various mining businesses and leases.
- Counseling an energy company on multiple insurance-coverage issues related to Clean Air Act citizen suit.

Outside the Office

Collin powerlifts and is a member of the United States Powerlifting Association and USA Powerlifting. He also played club ice hockey at the University of Pittsburgh in college, and later joined the University of Michigan's Law School Hockey Team.

