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Graham advocates for private and government parties in disputes over the application and meaning of environmental laws. He helps clients navigate complex regulations to acquire and comply with pollution control permits.

Graham has diverse litigation experience ranging from TCEQ procedural challenges to federal civil and criminal cases. This includes claims arising under common law, the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, RCRA, CERCLA, and their state analogues. He has helped clients untangle conflicts of law, including transboundary impacts, jurisdictional challenges, and contradictory standards.

Graham also assists companies in planning construction, designing compliance and decision-making procedures, and assessing transactions. He provides guidance for clients incorporating environmental justice into operational and permitting plans to foster public participation and equitable decision-making. He helps companies proactively engage with local communities and avoid schedule or budget disruptions from administrative or civil challenges.

In law school, Graham was the Editor-in-Chief of the *Texas Environmental Law Journal*, a Student Attorney for the Texas Environmental Law Clinic, and received honors for completing over 350 hours of pro bono service. Graham represented the Longhorns at interscholastic Moot Court and Mock Trial competitions and was inducted into the national advocacy honors society, The Order of Barristers. He interned for the Environmental Defense Fund and a Federal District Judge in Austin.

Prior to law school, Graham supported congressional investigations and compliance as an assistant on the United States Senate Select Committee on Ethics.

Education

- Franklin & Marshall College (2016)
 - Business and English Double Major
- University of Texas School of Law (J.D., 2022)
 - Editor-in-Chief, *Texas Environmental Law Journal*
 - Pro Bono Honors
 - Order of Barristers

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Outside the Office

Graham has dedicated himself to long-distance backpacking and cycling trips, having hiked the 2,200-mile Appalachian Trail, 400 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail, and biked roughly 1,500 miles across Europe and the United States.

Publications

February 3, 2025

The Citizens Are Coming: Citizens Groups Are Better Funded Than Ever and Will Take Over Where Biden Left Off

Beveridge & Diamond

June 25, 2024

SCOTUS Freezes States' Efforts to Resolve Water Conflict

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February 27, 2024

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

Beveridge & Diamond

December 12, 2023

It's Not Your Imagination: It's Getting Even Harder to Permit Your Project In Texas

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May 5, 2023

New Enforcement of PFAS Requirements in CWA NPDES Industrial Permit

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