# ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 5/18/2016

# /16 Executive Committee Meeting – 1:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Albany, N.Y.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Minutes, 1/29/16, Executive Committee Motion (M. Wieder)
- 2. Budget Report, as of 3/31/16, 2015 (K. Bernstein)
- 3. Annual Meeting 2016, Results (L. Bataille)
- 4. Membership Diversity Committees
  - Current Status -5/1/16 986 Members -19 New members (April)
  - Law school programs, welcome letters sent (R. Stout, J. Greenthal)
  - Arnold & Porter Program (E. McTiernan, S. Russo)
- 5. 2016 Winter-Spring Programs

Agriculture-Rural Issues Webinar (2/16) (R. Moore) Green Bldg. Issues – GT Location (3/16) (S. Russo)

Legislative Forum (5/18/16) (J. Kasow, J. Parker)

Water Program – Pace (5/23/16) (M. Wieder)
USEPA R2 Program – Columbia (6/2/16) (K. Healy)
Oil Spill Symposium – Albany (6/8/16) (A. Knauf)
Global Climate Change – Columbia (6/17/16) (M. Gerrard)

6. GCC 2009/2011, Report Update,

(G. Robbins, M. Gerrard, C. Howard, K Healy)

7. Publications, Env. Lawyer, blog, website, LinkedIn (M. Villani, S. Capasso)
Mid-June Deadlines for next EL
Fall Writing Competition
Website – more than 1200 page views
Blog – 2700 page views
LawHUB - Communities

- 8. Fall Meeting 2016 at the Gideon Putnam, 10/14 10/16, (L. Schnapf)
- 9. Old Business
- 10. New Business
- 11. The Passing of the Gavel
- 12. Motion to Adjourn



# **Environmental Law Section Committee on Legislation 2016 LEGISLATIVE FORUM & LUNCHEON** Wednesday, May 18, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Introduction with this year's legislative priorities by:

#### Senator Thomas F. O'Mara

Chair, Committee on Environmental Conservation New York State Senate, 58<sup>th</sup> Senate District

#### Followed by a panel discussion on:

To Drink or Not to Drink: Clean Water Litigation Trends in NY

In our continuing focus on water quality and water infrastructure needs of New York State, we will look at challenges facing the State after the presence of industrial contaminants in the Hoosick Falls village water supply became known to local residents. The forum will focus on a number of aspects of the contamination issue including: a proposal to extend the statute of limitations for bringing action against the alleged contaminators; future litigation issues in water contamination events; how actions and remedies may evolve during a time of increased scrutiny over water quality; and the role of regulating emerging water contaminants.

> Panel Speakers Include: (additional invitations outstanding)

#### Elizabeth Moran

Water & Natural Resources Associate Environmental Advocates of New York David A. Engel Of Counsel

Nolan & Heller, LLP

Concluding with Keynote Speaker and Luncheon:

#### **Thomas Berkman**

Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

#### **Great Hall**

New York State Bar Center, One Elk Street, Albany

John Parker, Jillian Kasow, Co-Chairs, Committee on Legislation Michael J. Lesser, Chair, Environmental Law Section

There is no charge to attend, but space is limited. Your RSVP is required. kplog@nysba.org or (518) 487-5681.

### April 26, 2016

TO: Section Officers

RE: March 31, 2016 Section Reports

The monthly statement of Section income and expense, along with the Detail report for March 31, 2016 are attached.

The expenses and income for the Annual meeting will be reflected in the April Statement.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

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Section Finance Coordinator

New York State Bar Association Environmental Law Section For the Three Months Ending Thursday, March 31, 2016

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	2/2/2016	2 2	
		Subtotal For Newsletters	\$2,958.02

## **ENVIRONMENTAL LAW - DETAIL**

## 01/01/2016 - 03/31/2016

Apr 25, 2016

624-5700	Graphics Department Allocations	\$353.32
624-5700		
1/1/2016	to defer AM and other 2016 I&E	\$81.25
1/31/2016	workorders- jan 2016	\$218.62
3/31/2016	march 2016 workorders	\$53.45
	Subtotal For Graphics Department Allocations	\$353.32
	Total For Account Group ENVIRONMENTAL LAW - DETAIL	\$4,387.56

## NYSBA Section Profile Report for Environmental Law Section

Total Number of (REG, NRES, ASC, NASC, AFL, STU) Members: 967

			Valid				Valid
	Count	Percent	Percent		Count	Percent	Percent
A) Gender				Managing Partner	48	4.96%	7.28%
F	279	28.85%	30.86%	Of Counsel	37	3.83%	5.61%
M	625	64.63%	69.14%	Other	107	11.07%	16.24%
X (no data)	63	6.51%	05.1170	Partner	261	26.99%	39.61%
11 (110 data)	967	100.00%	100.00%	Senior Associate	19	1.96%	2.88%
	,,,,	100.00 / 0	100.0070	Solo Practitioner	28	2.90%	4.25%
B) Practice Setting				Staff Attorney	35	3.62%	5.31%
Government	14	1.45%	1.87%	X (no data)	308	31.85%	
Government - Federal	14	1.45%	1.87%		967	100.00%	100.00%
Government - Local	19	1.96%	2.54%	E) Age			
Government - State	26	2.69%	3.48%	24 and Under	27	2.79%	2.97%
In-House Counsel	39	4.03%	5.22%	25 to 35	139	14.37%	15.31%
Judiciary	4	0.41%	0.54%				12.33%
Law School - Faculty	8	0.83%	1.07%	36 to 45	112	11.58%	
Law School - Student	4	0.41%	0.54%	46 to 55	192	19.86%	21.15%
Legal Aid	3	0.31%	0.40%	56 to 65	262	27.09%	28.85%
Non-Law Related	15	1.55%	2.01%	66 and Over	176	18.20%	19.38%
Non-Profit	22	2.28%	2.95%	X (no data)	59	6.10%	
Other	16	1.65%	2.14%		967	100.00%	100.00%
Part-Time Attorney	6	0.62%	0.80%	F) Race/Ethnic Group			
Private Practice	532	55.02%	71.22%	Asian/Pacific Islander	12	1.24%	2.10%
Retired	13	1.34%	1.74%	Black/African American	6	0.62%	1.05%
Trade/Professional Association	6	0.62%	0.80%	Decline to Answer	32	3.31%	5.60%
Unemployed	6	0.62%	0.80%	Hispanic	9	0.93%	1.58%
X (no data)	220	22.75%	0.0070	Multiple Race/Ethnic Group	1	0.10%	0.18%
71 (110 data)	967	100.00%	100.00%	Native American	1	0.10%	0.18%
	707	100.00 / 0	100.00 / 0	Other	3	0.10%	0.13%
C) Office Size				White/Caucasian	507	52.43%	88.79%
Fifty to 99	76	7.86%	10.69%		396	40.95%	00.7970
One Hundred and greater	189	19.54%	26.58%	X (no data)	967	100.00%	100 000/
Six to Nine	48	4.96%	6.75%		907	100.00%	100.00%
Solo Practitioner	108	11.17%	15.19%	G) Who Paid For Membership Dues			
Ten to Nineteen	75	7.76%	10.55%	Collectively by Firm and Member	22	2.28%	3.85%
Twenty to 49	100	10.34%	14.06%	Fully by Firm, School or Organization	306	31.64%	53.50%
Two to Five	115	11.89%	16.17%	Member	235	24.30%	41.08%
X (no data)	256	26.47%		No Dues Paid	9	0.93%	1.57%
	967	100.00%	100.00%	X (no data)	395	40.85%	
D) Position					967	100.00%	100.00%
Academic	14	1.45%	2.12%	II) Number of Vegus Ad			
	4	0.41%		H) Number of Years Admitted to Bar	4	0.410/	0.460/
Administrative Law Judge/Hearing Officer	•		0.61% 15.33%	0 (Less than 1)	4	0.41%	0.46%
Associate Court Personnel	101	10.44%		1 to 3	74	7.65%	8.42%
	2 3	0.21%	0.30%	4 to 5	32	3.31%	3.64%
Judge	3	0.31%	0.46%	6 to 7	42	4.34%	4.78%
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	Count	Percent	Valid Percent
8 to 14	94	9.72%	10.69%
15 to 19	67	6.93%	7.62%
20+	566	58.53%	64.39%
	88	9.10%	04.3970
X (no data)	967	9.10% <b>100.00%</b>	100.00%
	907	100.0076	100.00%
I) Disability			
Decline to Answer	87	9.00%	15.43%
No	471	48.71%	83.51%
X (no data)	403	41.68%	
Yes	6	0.62%	1.06%
	967	100.00%	100.00%
J) Sexual Orientation			
Decline to Answer	55	5.69%	13.82%
Heterosexual	339	35.06%	85.18%
	4	0.41%	1.01%
Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender	569		1.0170
X (no data)	967	58.84% <b>100.00%</b>	100.00%
	907	100.00%	100.00%
K) Areas of Concentration			
Administrative Law	213	22.03%	
Agriculture	34	3.52%	
Antitrust and Trade	11	1.14%	
Appellate Law	87	9.00%	
Arbitration/Mediation	56	5.79%	
Banking	28	2.90%	
Bankruptcy/Insolvency	21	2.17%	
Business Law	95	9.82%	
Civil Rights	41	4.24%	
Commercial Litigation	122	12.62%	
Communication	8	0.83%	
Computer Law	8	0.83%	
Construction	91	9.41%	
Contracts	80	8.27%	
Corporate Law	108	11.17%	
Creditors' Rights and Collections	8	0.83%	
Criminal Law	32	3.31%	
Derivatives and Structured Products	5	0.52%	
Elder Law	28	2.90%	
Employee Benefits	11	1.14%	
Entertainment, Arts and Sports	12	1.24%	
Environmental Law	587	60.70%	
Ethics	12	1.24%	
Family Law	30	3.10%	
Finance and Securities	29	3.00%	
Food, Drug & Cosmetics	21	2.17%	
Franchise Law	6	0.62%	

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	Count	Percent	Percen
General Practice	86	8.89%	
Government	108	11.17%	
Health Law	24	2.48%	
Immigration Law	21	2.17%	
Insurance	77	7.96%	
Intellectual Property and Copyrights	36	3.72%	
International Law	38	3.93%	
Labor and Employment Law	52	5.38%	
Law Office Economics and Management	17	1.76%	
Leases And Leasing	50	5.17%	
Libel	7	0.72%	
Litigation - General Civil	195	20.17%	
Medical Malpractice	17	1.76%	
Municipal Law	202	20.89%	
Personal or Property Injury	68	7.03%	
Product Liability	64	6.62%	
Professional Liability	12	1.24%	
Public Contract	36	3.72%	
Public Utility	71	7.34%	
Real Property Law	246	25.44%	
Social Security Law	6	0.62%	
Tax - Corporate Business	19	1.96%	
Tax - Personal	10	1.03%	
Transportation	24	2.48%	
Trust and Estates Law	72	7.45%	
Workers Compensation	12	1.24%	
Zoning, Planning And Land Use	270	27.92%	
-	3,624	374.77%	100.00%

		Valid			Valid
Count	Percent	Percent	Count	Percent	Percent
		100.00%			

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