



# NewFields

## **An Open Panel Forum**

### September 16 - Washington D.C

Toxic tort and environmental damage claims against multinationals in Latin America are becoming increasingly common and the lack of general U.S. courtroom standards makes it difficult for international companies to defend themselves against a prejudicial judicial system.

This four-hour forum, hosted by Troutman Sanders and NewFields, will cover:

- Toxic Tort and Environmental Litigation Risk in Latin America
- Quadruple Threat Reversal of Proof, Precautionary Principle, Pseudo-science, Incomplete Discovery
- Proactive Risk Management Strategies



**Brooks Smith** 

A partner at Troutman Sanders, Brooks leads the firm's strategic initiatives on environmental enforcement and compliance assurance. He has defended a number of high profile civil, administrative and criminal environmental cases, and has participated in nearly 1,000 internal compliance audits.





Luiz Gustavo Bezerra

Luiz is a partner at Motta, Fernandes Rocha – Advogados, one of Brazil's most respected law firms, where he is the head of the environmental practice, focusing on litigation and advice on environmental matters for large corporations.



**Robert West** 

A partner at Wasserman West, LLC, Robert is a seasoned international lawyer, fluent in Portuguese, Spanish, and French with significant experience in complex high-stakes environmental litigation and international business transactions in Latin America, particularly in Brazil.



#### **Dave McAvoy**

Dave McAvoy, the General Counsel for Eli Lilly, is focused on the firm's intercontinental region and Japan. He has extensive experience with the legal system in Latin America defending the company's drug patents in countries that generally do not respect intellectual property rights.



#### Jean Paul Dussaubat

Jean Paul specializes in environmental and natural resource issues, with a focus on Environmental Impact Assessments, environmental control, environmental sanctions and incentives for compliance in Chile. He is also an assistant professor of Environmental Law at the University Adolfo Ibáñez.

#### **Dr. Gary Krieger**

Dr. Gary Krieger is an expert in both environmental toxicology and tropical medicine. He has served as a technical expert to the WHO, World Bank, IFC and other major international agencies and has co-authored numerous textbooks and peer-reviewed publications and has professionally worked in over 40 countries.

Time: Location: Website: 1:00pm to 5:00pm, followed by reception following Troutman Sanders. 401 9th St NW #1000, Washington, DC www.troutmansanders.com