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Nationally recognized as a leader in the law, Brooks is involved in cutting-edge environmental and natural resources proceedings in Virginia and around the U.S., including litigation, enforcement defense, project development, and compliance counseling.

OVERVIEW

Brooks is a partner of the firm's Richmond office, which has more than 150 attorneys spread out over the full array of practice areas, along with the Strategies group, which is the firm's full-service government relations subsidiary. Prior to joining the firm in August 2013, Brooks co-chaired the global environmental practice at Hunton & Williams (now Hunton Andrews Kurth).

Brooks is widely recognized for his work, both locally and nationally. He is top-ranked by *Chambers USA, Best Lawyers, Super Lawyers,* and the Virginia Legal Elite. He has also been recognized as a "Client Service All-Star" by BTI Consulting, one of the country's "50 Energy & Environmental Trailblazers" by the *National Law Journal*, and a "Leader in the Law" by *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*. Most recently, he was included in the Virginia 500 – The 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2026, and 2027 Power Lists by *Virginia Business Magazine*. Brooks has written and spoken extensively on developments arising under the Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, NEPA, and other environmental laws. In addition, he has chaired several national conferences and given more than 300 presentations to audiences across the U.S. and Canada.

In the courtroom, Brooks is a formidable presence, having defended scores of permit appeals, citizen lawsuits, environmental tort claims, and agency enforcement actions. Representative cases include:

- *Johnson v. 3M Co.*, No. 20-8 (N.D. Ga.)
- *Johnson v. Water, Light and Sinking Fund Com'rs of City of Dalton, Ga.*, No. 21-13663 (11th Cir.)
- *Suez Water N.J. Inc., v. E.I. DuPont De Nemours & Co.,* No. 20-19906 (D.N.J.)
- *U.S. v. Va. Elec. & Power Co.*, No. 20-177 (E.D. Va.)
- *S. Appalachian Mountain v. Red River Coal Co.*, No. 19-2194 (4th Cir.)
- *Sierra Club v. U.S. Army Corps. of Eng'rs*, No. 18-2273 (4th Cir.)
- *Sierra Club v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior*, No. 18-2095 (4th Cir.)
- *Defenders of Wildlife v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior*, No. 18-2090 (4th Cir.)
- *Sierra Club v. U.S. Army Corps. of Eng'rs*, No. 18-1743 (4th Cir.)

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- *De Luca v. U.S. Army Corps. of Eng'rs*, No. 18-1392 (4th Cir.)
- *De Luca v. N.C. Dep't of Env't Quality*, No. 18-1336 (4th Cir.)
- *Cowpasture River Pres. v. Forest Serv.*, No. 18-1144 (4th Cir. and U.S. Supreme Court)
- *Chesapeake Bay Found. v. State Water Control Bd.*, No. 18-1079 (4th Cir.)
- *Sierra Club v. Nat'l Park Serv.*, No. 18-1082 (4th Cir.)
- *Defenders of Wildlife v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior*, No. 18-1083 (4th Cir.)
- *Appalachian Voices v. State Water Control Bd.*, No. 18-1077 (4th Cir.)
- *S. Appalachian Mountain Stewards v. Red River Coal Co.*, No. 17-28 (W.D. Va.)
- *Sierra Club v. Va. Elec. & Power Co.*, No. 17-1539 (4th Cir.)
- *James River Dischargers Coal. v. U.S. E.P.A.*, No. 16-89 (W.D. Va.)
- *In re: Murray Energy Corp. v. U.S. E.P.A.*, No. 15-3751 (6th Cir.)
- *S. Appalachian Mountain v. Red River Coal Co.*, No. 15-1522 (4th Cir.)
- *Sierra Club v. Va. Elec. & Power Co.*, No. 15-112 (E.D. Va.)
- *Am. Farm Bureau Fed'n v. U.S. E.P.A.*, No. 13-4079 (3d Cir.)
- *S. Appalachian Mountain v. A & G Coal Corp.*, No. 13-2050 (4th Cir.)
- *Ohio Valley Env't Coal v. U.S. Corp. of Eng'rs*, No. 07-2112 (4th Cir.)
- *Ohio Valley Env't Coal v. Arcoma Coal Co.*, No. 07-1964 (4th Cir.)
- *Synagro-WWT Inc. v. Louisa Cnty.*, Va., No. 01-60 (W.D. Va.)
- *Virginia Elec. & Power Co. v. State Corp. Comm'n,* 300 Va. 153, 861 S.E.2d 47 (2021)
- *Philip Morris USA Inc. v. Chesapeake Bay Found. Inc.,* 273 Va. 564, 643 S.E.2d 219 (2007)

Outside the courtroom, Brooks is a trusted advisor to clients in the development of major projects, including manufacturing facilities, mines, pipelines, solar and wind facilities, and other energy infrastructure, as well as the development and implementation of a range of different compliance assurance programs. Brooks has led more than 1,000 third-party EHS compliance audits and has handled scores of internal investigations and agency self-disclosures. He also regularly counsels clients on navigating NEPA reviews, ESA consultations, and federal/state permitting for new projects.

AWARDS

- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*: "Managing Partners Spotlight" (2023-2024)
- *Thomson Reuters* Stand-out Lawyer – independently rated lawyers (2023-2026)
- *Legal 500 United States*: Environment: Litigation (2021-2024)
- *Legal 500 United States*: Environment: Regulatory (2025)
- *Virginia Business:* Virginia 500 (2020-2023, 2026-2027)
- *Super Lawyers:* Virginia (2006-2007, 2011-2021)
- *Best Lawyers in America®:* Administrative/Regulatory Law (2013-2027), Environmental Law (2015-2027), Litigation – Environmental (2020-2027), Water Law (2008-2027)
- *Best Lawyers in America®:* "Lawyer of the Year," Richmond, Administrative/Regulatory Law (2016, 2023, 2027), Environmental Law (2017, 2026), Litigation – Environmental (2027, 2021), Water Law (2015, 2023, 2025)
- *BTI Consulting Group*: Client Service All-Star (2020)
- *Chambers USA*: Environmental Law, Virginia (2005-2026)
- *Law & Politics:* "Super Lawyer" in Environmental Law, Virginia (2006-2022)
- *Virginia Business:* "Legal Elite" in Environmental Law (2004-2023, 2025)
- *Electric Power Research Institute*: Ohio River Basin Project, U.S. Water Prize (2015)
- *National Law Journal*: "Trailblazer" in Energy and Environmental Law (2015)
- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly:* "Leader in Law" (2015)

- *The International Who's Who of Environment Lawyers* (2013-2015)
- *The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers* (2013)
- *Richmond Magazine*: "Top 40 Under 40" (2008)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Energy
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- Environmental Justice
- Environmental Litigation + Enforcement Defense
- PFAS + Emerging Contaminants
- Water Quality + Water Resources

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Ecosystem Markets
- Energy
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- Environmental Justice
- Environmental Litigation + Enforcement Defense
- Litigation + Trial
- Natural Resources
- Oil + Gas
- PFAS + Emerging Contaminants
- Release Reporting
- Water Quality + Water Resources

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Board of directors, ChamberRVA
- Board of directors, NextUp
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- Fellow, American College of Environmental Lawyers (2022)
- Board member, Library of Virginia Foundation
- Board member, Richmond Jazz Society
- Board member and past chair, Richmond CultureWorks
- Board member emeritus, Capital Region Land Conservancy
- Board member emeritus, Richmond Public Library Foundation
- Past chair, VCU Rice Rivers Center for Environmental Life Sciences
- Past chair, Richmond Business Council, Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce
- Past Executive Committee officer and Board member, Maymont Foundation
- Past officer and Executive Board member, VIRGINIAforever
- Past chair, Environmental and Administrative Law Sections, Virginia Bar Association and Virginia State Bar

- Past trustee, Virginia Land Conservation Foundation
- Past trustee, Energy and Mineral Law Foundation

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Vermont Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 1996
- University of Richmond, B.A., 1992

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- Supreme Court of the United States

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Moderator, "DEQ Regulatory Briefing," Virginia Environmental Health & Safety Conference, September 22, 2026.
- Speaker, "Water Quality and Wetlands: PFAS, Citizen Suits, and Permitting Reform," ALI Environmental Law 2026, February 19, 2026.
- Speaker, "Clean Water Act," 34th Annual Eastern Boot Camp on Environmental Law®, Environmental Law Institute®, October 28, 2025.
- Speaker, "Regulatory Briefing: Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation, and Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources," 23rd Annual Virginia Environmental Health & Safety (VEHS) Conference & Expo, September 10, 2025.
- Speaker, "Unlocking Air Compliance: Beyond Permits and Into RMP Insights," 2025 Food and Beverage Environmental Conference, March 31-April 3, 2025.
- Speaker, "Interactions between the CWA and Other Laws," American Law Institute Continuing Legal Education, October 18, 2024.
- Speaker, "Virginia Department of Environmental Quality & Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation Regulatory Briefing, and Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources", 2024 Virginia Environmental Health & Safety Conference, September 19, 2024.
- Panelist, "Water Law Developments," ALI/ELI Environmental Law 2024 Conference, February 22-23, 2024.
- Speaker, "The Vital Importance of Pipeline and Transmission Infrastructure to Decarbonization," *Energy Law Insights*, February 14, 2024.
- Speaker, "The Continuing Impact of Coal Ash," *Energy Law Insights*, January 31, 2024.
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Moderator, “Blueprint for Success: Integrating Infrastructure and Economic Development,” Virginia Forum on Infrastructure and Its Impact on Economic Development, September 26, 2023.

- Speaker, “*Sackett v. EPA* and the Future of the Clean Water Act,” ALI CLE, June 7, 2023.
- Speaker, “Recent Developments in Water and Wetlands,” ALI/ELI Environmental Law 2023, February 17, 2023
- Speaker, Metallurgical Coal Producers Association, 42nd Annual Conference & Expo, May 21-24, 2022, Roanoke, WV.
- Speaker, American Forest & Paper Association, AF&PA Fall General Counsels Coordinating Committee (GCCC) Meeting, October 5, 2021, Atlanta, GA.
- Co-presenter, Environmental Law & Litigation 101 for Electric Utilities, EUCI Online Course, “National Environmental Policy Act and Endangered Species,” September 10, 2020.
- Panel speaker, Ecological Restoration Business Association, ERBA’s 2020 Policy Conference, “Water Quality Markets – Ecological Restoration as a Way to Increase Implementation,” March 5, 2020, Washington, D.C.
- Speaker, Richmond Bar Association Environmental & Energy Law Section, CLE Seminar, Lunch and Annual Meeting, “Legal Developments Involving Discharges Through Hydrologically Connected Groundwater,” June 7, 2019, Richmond, VA.
- Keynote panelist, Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance, Southern States Energy Board and Virginia Center for Coal and Energy Research Annual Conference & Expo, “Embarking on Coal’s New Era,” May 21, 2019, Kingsport, TN.
- Panelist, “Carbon Regulation: The Holistic View,” The Thirty-Seventh Annual National Regulatory Conference, May 17, 2019, William & Mary Law School, Williamsburg, VA.
- Speaker, American Bar Association 128th Summer Meeting, “Current Topics in Environmental And Energy Law: Coal Ash Litigation, Regulation & Legislation,” July 21, 2018, Hot Springs, VA.
- Speaker, American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy and Resources 26th Fall Conference, “Staying Afloat in the Deluge of Clean Water Act Developments,” October 19, 2018, San Diego, CA.
- Panelist, Virginia Bar Association, 128th Summer Meeting, “Current Topics in Environmental and Energy Law: Electric Energy Litigation, Legislation, & Regulation,” July 21, 2018, Hot Springs, VA.
- Moderator, 2018 Virginia Energy Conference, “The Role of Sustainable Infrastructure in Corporate Strategy,” Virginia Chamber of Commerce, May 23, 2018, Richmond, VA.
- Panelist, Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance, Southern States Energy Board, Virginia Center for Coal and Energy Research Annual Conference & Expo, “The New Vision for Coal,” May 21-22, 2018, Kingsport, TN.
- Speaker, “Environmental Developments at the Federal and State Level,” Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance Annual Professional Engineers in Mining Seminar, March 29, 2018, Lebanon, VA.
- Speaker, American Coal Ash Association (ACAA), 2018 Workshop on Current Issues in Ponded CCPs, March 20, 2018, Richmond, VA.
- Speaker, Virginia Coal and Energy Alliance Fall Meeting, November 13, 2017, Big Stone Gap, VA.
- Guest speaker , Client Executive Management Team meeting on EHS Compliance and Enforcement, October 24, 2017, Paramus, NJ.
- Moderator, 2017 Energy & Sustainability Conference, “Partnerships to Meet Energy Goals,” Virginia Chamber of Commerce, May 24, 2017, Richmond, VA.
- Panelist, Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance, Southern States Energy Board Annual Conference & Expo, “Clean Coal Policies and Opportunities,” May 22, 2017, Kingsport, TN.
- Speaker, Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance Professional Engineers in Mining Seminar, March 30, 2017, Lebanon, VA.
- Speaker, Luncheon of Lexington Coal Exchange, “King Coal,” February 3, 2017, Lexington, KY.
- Speaker, “Pressing Legal Questions for Multiple Credits and Funding Streams Under the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy,” ACES 2016 Conference, December 7, 2016, Jacksonville, FL.
- Panelist, 2016 Ward Kershaw Symposium “Halftime for the Chesapeake Bay TMDL,” the Center for

Progressive Reform and the Environmental Law Program at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law, November 9, 2016.

- Speaker, National Clean Water Law Seminar, November 2, 2016, Kansas City, MO.
- Keynote panelist, Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance, Southern States Energy Board Annual Conference & Expo, “Coal: Weathering the Perfect Storm,” May 23, 2016, Kingsport, TN.
- Moderator, 2016 Energy Sustainability and Resiliency Conference, “Threats to Resiliency in Virginia – How and What Is Virginia Doing?,” Virginia Chamber of Commerce, May 10, 2016, Richmond, VA.
- Speaker, Client EHS Auditor Training Meeting, April 5-6, 2016, Paramus, NJ.
- Speaker, “In the Cross Hairs – Toxic Tort in Latin America,” NewFields Legal Challenges to Business in Latin America Series, Online, June 23, 2015.
- Speaker, “Next Generation Compliance (NextGen),” Edison Electric Institute Water Executive Advisory Committee Meeting, June 9, 2015, New Orleans, LA.
- Speaker, “Trends in Citizen Enforcement Against Electric Utilities,” Edison Electric Institute Water Resources Subcommittee Meeting, June 8, 2015, New Orleans, LA.
- Speaker, “Environmental Permitting for Natural Gas Pipelines,” Energy and Mineral Law Foundation Understanding Appalachian Basin Midstream Assets Special Institute, April 20, 2015, Canonsburg, PA.
- Speaker, “Business Trends Driving Sustainability,” Virginia Chamber of Commerce Energy & Sustainability Conference, April 14, 2015, Richmond, VA.
- Panelist, “The Chesapeake Bay TMDL Litigation,” What’s In Your Water? A Discussion of Threats to Virginia’s Water Quality, Presented by William & Mary School of Law’s Environmental Law and Policy Review Virginia Coastal Policy Clinic, March 28, 2015, Williamsburg, VA.
- Speaker, “2015 Environmental Regulatory and Litigation Update,” Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance Professional Engineers in Mining Seminar, March 3, 2015, Abingdon, VA.
- Speaker, “Upcoming Water and Wastewater Regulatory Challenges; Key Considerations,” Virginia Water Environment Association Annual Industrial Waste and Pretreatment Seminar, March 2-3, 2015, Charlottesville, VA.
- Speaker, “Moving Toward Risk-based EHS Compliance Auditing,” The Auditing Roundtable Winter National Meeting, February 23-24, 2015, Phoenix, AZ.
- Panelist, “A Model for Success? The Water Quality Credits Market,” Conservation Finance Workshop, Credit Suisse, January 23, 2015, New York, NY.
- Panelist, “Achieving Water Quality in the Chesapeake Bay: Lessons for the Nation,” Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, January 5, 2015, Annapolis, MD.
- Speaker, “Enhanced Data Analytics and Technology: What Does It Mean for Business?,” Global Environmental Management Initiative Senior Advisory Council Meeting, “The Business of Sustainability – Strategic Solutions Now!,” November 18-19, 2014, Arlington, VA.
- Speaker, “The Next Frontier: Water Quality Trading and Mitigation Banking,” The American Law Institute Continuing Legal Education Clean Water Act Law and Regulation Conference, November 17-18, 2014, Washington, D.C.
- Presenter, “Water Trading: New and Emerging Opportunities to Improve Water Quality at Reduced Costs,” Bloomberg BNA Webinar, November 13, 2014.
- Speaker, “Boss in the Slammer: What You Need to Know About Compliance (and Why Auditing Really Matters),” The Auditing Roundtable National Meeting, September 16, 2014, Charlotte, NC.
- Panelist, “Implementing the Clean Water Act’s Antidegradation Policy,” presented by the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy and Resources, August 6, 2014.
- Speaker, “Beyond Stormwater Runoff: Tips to Manage Process and Wash Water,” Associated General Contractors of America Environmental Conference, June 12-13, 2014, Arlington, VA.
- Speaker, Clean Rivers, Clean Lake Conference, May 1, 2014.
- Panelist, “Chaos, Disruption and Opportunity,” Commonwealth Land’s 5th Annual Virginia Land Forum, April

29, 2014, Richmond, VA.

- Panelist, “The Northwest Experience with Water Quality Trading for Compliance,” U.S. Water Alliance, April 8, 2014, Washington, D.C.
- Speaker, “Gaining Ground: The Power, Potential and Occasional Perils of Water Quality Trading,” NACWA (National Association of Clean Water Agencies) – CWA Jurisdiction, Water Quality Trading, March 19, 2014.
- Speaker, “2014 Environmental Regulatory and Litigation Update,” Virginia Coal & Energy Alliance Professional Engineers in Mining Seminar, March 5, 2014, Lebanon, VA.
- Speaker, Virginia Professional Engineers in Mining Seminar, March 5, 2014.
- Speaker, “Upcoming Water & Wastewater Regulatory Challenges; Key Consideration,” VWEA (Virginia Water Environment Association) – 2014 Industrial Waste and Pretreatment Seminar, March 3-4, 2014.
- Speaker, Virginia Water Environment Association Industrial Conference, March 3, 2014.
- Panelist, “Quantified Conservation and Water Quality Trading for Compliance,” The Freshwater Trust, February 28, 2014, Portland, OR.
- Panelist, “The State of the Environment in the Chesapeake Bay,” The American University Washington College of Law, February 4, 2014, Washington, D.C.
- Speaker, National Clean Water Law Seminar, November 2013.
- Speaker, Fall 2013 Environmental Conference, MD-DC Utilities Association, October 2013.
- Speaker, National Network For Consistency and Integrity in Water Quality Trading, October 2013.
- Speaker, “Water Sustainability in a Changing Climate,” One Water Leadership Summit, September 2013.
- Speaker, National Water Quality Trading Roundtable, July 18, 2013.
- Speaker, Coal Company Internal Environmental Conference, April 17, 2013.
- Speaker, 2013 Environmental Considerations in Energy Production Symposium, April 17, 2013.
- Speaker, Virginia Military Institute Environment Virginia Symposium, April 11, 2013.
- Speaker, VWEA Industrial Waste and Pretreatment Seminar, March 5, 2013.
- Speaker, NACWA, Developments in Clean Water Law Conference, November 15, 2012.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “EPA’s Draft Contaminant Candidate List Triggers Regulatory Considerations and Opportunities for Drinking Water Treatment Technologies,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, May 14, 2026.
- Co-author, “The Pit Bull Still Bites: District Court Cuts Down Recent (And Potentially Future) Endangered Species Act Regulatory Amendments,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, April 9, 2026.
- Co-author, “EPA’s Proposed CWA 401 Rule Narrows Scope of State Reviews, Reins in Timelines,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, January 20, 2026.
- Co-author, “US Army Corps of Engineers Finalizes 2026 Nationwide Permit Package,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, January 13, 2026.
- Co-author, “Navigating a New WOTUS Definition: Agencies Redefine the Line,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, November 21, 2025.
- Co-author, “Extreme Makeover – NEPA Edition: Permitting Agencies Strip Their Environmental Review Regulations Down To The Studs,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, July 9, 2025.
- Co-author, “One-Track Mind: Unanimous SCOTUS Decision on Rail Line Approval Further Narrows Scope of NEPA,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, May 30, 2025.
- Co-author, “President Trump Moves to Repeal NEPA Regulations,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 20, 2025.
- Co-author, “Keeping Track of the Trump Executive Actions,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 13, 2025.
- Co-author, “A Hard Look at CEQ’s Hard Luck: North Dakota Court Decision Accelerates NEPA Regulations’

Rapid Fall," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 6, 2025.

- Co-author, "Recent Executive Action May Impact PFAS Regulation," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, February 3, 2025.
- Co-author, "California Adopts Landmark GHG Emissions and Climate Risk Reporting Laws, Eclipsing Anticipated Federal Requirements," *Troutman Pepper*, October 13, 2023.
- Co-author, "Feasibility Assessment for Water Quality Trading in Lake Winnipeg, Canada – Phase 1," Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) – *2021 Technical Report*, December 2021.
- Co-author, "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Compliance Measurement Methods as Context for Water Quality Trading Programs," Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), May 9, 2018.
- Co-author, "Water Quality Trading: Setting the Record Straight," *Natural Resources & Environment*, Winter 2017.
- Author, "The Case for Water Quality Trading," National Water Quality Trading Alliance, July 27, 2016.
- Author, "Multidistrict Transfer and Consolidation – WOTUS Cases," American Bar Association's *Natural Resources & Environment Journal*, spring 2016.
- Co-author, "The Clean Water Act Permit Shield—Recent Battles," 29 ABA *Natural Resources & Environment* 15 (2015).
- Co-author, "Environmental Compliance and Commitment From the Top," *Corporate Counsel*, March 17, 2014.
- Co-author, "The Truth About Mercury TMDLs," *Trends*, ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources Newsletter, January/February 2013.
- Author, "Should 'Daily' Really Mean 'Daily' in TMDL?," *Water Environment Laboratory Solutions*, October 1, 2007.
- Author, "UAAs and the Standards-Setting Process," ASABE Fourth Conference on Watershed Management to Meet Water Quality Standards and TMDLs, March 2007.

MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Quoted, "EPA Making Superfund Cleanup Decisions Faster, Attorneys Say," *Bloomberg Law*, February 19, 2026.
- Quoted, "Big Law Firm Merger Brings New Name to Downtown Legal Scene," *Richmond BizSense*, January 14, 2025.
- Quoted, "Former EPA Official Warns Maui Guide Deviates From SCOTUS Decision," *Inside EPA*, December 4, 2023.
- Interviewed, "States 'Hungry' for Cybersecurity Guide Despite SDWA Suit, Attorneys Say," *Inside EPA*, September 11, 2023.
- Quoted, "Lawyers Eye Maui as Potential Avenue for CWA Enforcement Post-Sackett," *InsideEPA*, June 7, 2023.
- Quoted, "US Supreme Court's Wetlands Ruling May Speed Clean Energy, Transmission Projects," *S&P Global Market Intelligence*, June 7, 2023.
- Quoted, "4th Circ. Says Water Act Liability Shield Blocks Mine Suit," *Law360*, March 30, 2021.
- Quoted, "Law and Disorder: Pandemic Brings Wave of Cuts, New Cases to Law Firms," *Virginia Business*, August 29, 2020.
- Quoted, "EPA Loosens Water Quality Trading Policy to Spur Growth," *Law360*. February 14, 2019.
- Quoted, "9th Circ. Ruling Broadens Reach of CWA Pollution Liability," *Law360*, Feb. 1, 2018.
- Quoted, "Judge Wants to Hear Dueling Va. Coal Mine Pollution Suits," *Law360*, Jan. 19, 2018.
- Quoted, "9th Circuit Ruling Hints at Bumpy Road for Water Rule Redo," *Law360*, Dec. 1, 2017.
- Quoted, "Water Quality Trading Needs Restrictions, Group Says in Lawsuit," *Bloomberg BNA*, Feb. 14, 2017.

- Quoted, “Can Trump Deliver on Immense Energy, Climate Promises?” *Greenwire*, Nov. 14, 2016.
- Quoted, “Will Trump Target Estuary’s ‘Pollution Diet‘?” *Greenwire*, Nov. 11, 2016.
- Quoted, “Infrared Camera Use Growing in Oil and Gas Sector,” *Bloomberg BNA*, March 30, 2016.
- Quoted, “Clash Over Mining Rules Ahead,” *Bloomberg BNA*, Online, Jan. 12, 2016.
- Mentioned, “Environmental Cases to Watch in 2016,” *Law360*, Dec. 24, 2015.
- Mentioned, “Discharge Permit Renewal Makes Appeal Moot,” *Bloomberg BNA*, Dec. 15, 2015.
- Mentioned, “War Over ‘Waters of the U.S.’ Rule,” *Law360*, Oct. 13, 2015.
- Quoted, “Red River Coal Co. Scores Win in Virginia CWA Suit,” *Law360*, April 14, 2014.
- Mentioned, “Federal Court Defers to Va. Agency, Rules Coal Company Didn’t Violate NPDES Permit,” *Bloomberg BNA*, April 14, 2015.
- Quoted, “EPA Says State, Not Federal, Rules Needed to Encourage Water Trading,” *Inside Washington Publishers*, Dec. 15, 2014.
- Quoted, “Attorneys Say Determining Trading Baseline for Water From Nonpoint Sources Is Difficult,” *Commonwealth BNA Daily Environment Report*, Nov. 19, 2014.
- Quoted, “Three States Should Lose Primary Authority Over Pollutant Discharges, Petitioners Say,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, September 3, 2014.
- Quoted, “Fourth Circuit Holds Virginia Coal Company Liable for Unpermitted Selenium Discharges,” *BNA Snapshot*, July 14, 2014.
- Quoted, “Regulations’ Impact on Electric Rates Is Unclear,” *Richmond Times Dispatch*, June 3, 2014.
- Quoted, “Water Quality Experts Convene to Discuss Challenges and Opportunities to Fix Rivers Faster,” The Freshwater Trust, May 29, 2014.
- Quoted, “Permits,” *Bloomberg Law Water Law & Policy Monitor*, May 14, 2014.
- Quoted, “EPA to Require Best Management Practices to Curb Erosion at Construction Sites,” *Bloomberg BNA Environmental Due Diligence Guide Report*, March 20, 2014.
- Quoted, “EPA Defers Stormwater Rulemaking in Lieu of Incentives for Communities,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, March 19, 2014.
- Quoted, “New Alliance Aims to ‘Champion’ Water Quality Trading,” InsideEPA.com’s *Daily Briefing*, February 19, 2014.
- Quoted, “New Alliance Aims to Serve as ‘Champion’ for Water Quality Trading,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, February 10, 2014.
- Quoted, “Alliance Urges EPA to Explicitly Authorize Trading to Meet Water Quality Objectives,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, January 22, 2014.
- Quoted, “Omnibus Funding Bill Would Increase EPA Spending From Post-Sequester Levels,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, January 22, 2014.
- Quoted, “Coal Company Says Permit Shield Defense Should Bar Suits Over Selenium Discharges,” *Bloomberg BNA Environment Reporter*, January 2, 2014.
- Quoted, “Attorneys Say Bay Restoration Plan Could Serve as Model for Other Watersheds,” *Bloomberg BNA Water Law & Policy Monitor*, November 27, 2013.