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WHAT SETS US APART

- Technical and scientific degrees held by team members in geology, engineering, environmental science, and mining provide clients with solid legal representation built on a technical foundation
- Leadership roles in environmental/energy trade organizations and regional/national multi-stakeholder technical advisory groups provide clients with a voice on critical issues
- Team members are actively involved in shaping environmental and energy policy and in promulgating regulations
- Active working relationships with state and federal government officials in all licensed states
- Represent regulated industries including energy, power generation, chemical, manufacturing, mining, municipalities, research and development, transportation, waste disposal, commercial development, and banking and finance
- More than 50% of the team has in-house counsel or regulatory agency experience
- Attorneys licensed in IN, KY, OH, PA, TX, VA, and WV
- 75% of team members recognized as The Best Lawyers in America®
- Three registered lobbyists represent clients regarding environmental issues in multiple states
- Provide the right experience mix of lawyers, government affairs professionals, and paralegals to enhance efficiency

BUSINESS, LEGAL, AND INDUSTRY KNOW-HOW

Steptoe & Johnson's environmental and regulatory attorneys represent clients before federal, state, and local courts and administrative boards in civil, criminal, and administrative matters, and in administrative and legislative policy setting proceedings.

Our environmental lawyers possess extensive experience as seasoned regulatory attorneys and litigators who can handle commercial and environmental litigation in high-profile cases.

Environmental and regulatory practice attorneys possess the knowledge and experience to understand the highly technical nature of environmental and endangered species issues.

HOW WE HAVE HELPED

The Environmental and Regulatory Practice Group includes attorneys who counsel clients on environmental issues, including the following:

- Providing clients and federal and state industry trade associations with technical and legal expertise regarding emerging rule-makings, including the drafting of comments and/or challenges to new or proposed U.S. EPA rule-makings regarding waters of the United States, the Clean Power Plan, and methane emissions from the oil and gas industry
- Industry and municipality compliance under federal and state laws and regulations
- Penalty and enforcement actions
- Site remediation and planning (including Brownfields)
- Indemnity and transactional documentation
- Audit and assessment planning
- Underground and aboveground storage tank management, remediation, and closure
- United States Army Corps of Engineers permitting, compliance, and enforcement under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act
- Superfund cost recovery, allocations and site delisting, RCRA, and hazardous and solid waste disposal permitting and enforcement
- Clean Water Act permitting, compliance, and enforcement
- Clean Air Act permitting, compliance, and enforcement
- Endangered Species Act consultation
- Complex federal citizen-suit litigation
- Compliance counseling under all environmental regulatory programs
- Real estate and infrastructure development
- Toxic tort litigation