

Environmental

Effective & creative counsel & defense



Environmental strengths

Environmental -
Transactions

Environmental
Compliance &
Permitting

Environmental
Enforcement &
Litigation

We put our creativity and experience to work for you when you need help

- navigating environmental regulation
- defending claims by agencies, environmental groups, or citizens
- reacting to natural disaster and catastrophic releases
- identifying, evaluating and negotiating liabilities in transactions and effectively allocating liability

Our clients span diverse industries

- Manufacturing
 - Aerospace
 - Agricultural chemicals, maintenance vehicles, lawn equipment and hand tools
 - Appliances (commercial and residential)
 - Automotive and automotive parts
 - Biomass and other alternative energy producers
 - Ceramics
 - Chemicals and specialty chemical manufacturers, processors, and suppliers
 - Consumer products
 - Electrical and lighting
 - Pesticides and pesticide devices
 - Pharmaceutical drugs and devices
 - Plastics and Polymers
 - Recreational vehicles
 - Textiles
- Commercial waste management and recyclers
 - Asbestos
 - C&D

- Coal ash
- Scrap metal
- Solid and hazardous waste
- Used oil
- Tires
- Waste-to-energy
- Construction
- Forestry and forest Products
- Metal working, foundries and metal coatings
- Mining
- Pulp and paper industry
- Residential and commercial real estate, including development
- Retailers
- Transportation
 - Trucking
 - Rail
- Utilities and other energy suppliers

Nelson Mullins' environmental attorneys provide clients with effective and creative counseling and issue response, no matter what the environmental challenge

- Firm attorneys have represented environmental clients in matters involving major federal and state environmental programs
- Practice members have hundreds of years of collective experience spanning the breadth of environmental programs
- Team members have participated in evaluation of environmental issues impacting business and real estate transactions, identifying potential environmental liabilities and developing creative approaches to address and allocate responsibility for these items

Our attorneys work hand in hand with our clients to make informed decisions before problems arise

- Environmental attorneys partner with clients to evaluate environmental policy, statutes and regulations and develop strategic plans for addressing current, proposed and anticipated future environmental requirements, including undertaking challenges to new regulations when necessary
- A practice strength is our professionals' deep experience in pursuing, obtaining, and defending complex environmental permits required for addressing air, water and waste management for industrial clients

We work with our clients in responding to federal and state environmental compliance investigations, response and effective resolution of those matters

- Resolved significant disputes with state and/or federal agencies such as applicability determinations and alleged high priority violations of New Source Review, NESHAP, RCRA, Brownfield, and wetlands rules
- Experienced in response to complex investigations, such as 104 and 114 information requests
- Track record of resolving disputed matters without litigation
- Recognized for creative and strategic thinking

As the need arises, our environmental team members have deep experience in defending our clients' interests in litigation

- Permit challenges before administrative courts
- Appeals of adverse agency permit decisions
- Civil and criminal enforcement
- Employee exposure and whistleblower allegations
- Pursuit of and defense to CERCLA cost recovery actions
- Citizen suits of all types (Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, RCRA, etc.)
- Environmental contamination and toxic tort claims involving alleged air, water and/or real property contamination, devaluation or personal injury/exposure, whether class action, multi-plaintiff or individual
- Challenges to regulations in state and federal courts, including D.C. Court of Appeals
- Zoning and land use disputes

Why Nelson Mullins?

- Substantial experience in matters involving state and federal air, water, waste, land resource, development and occupational health statutes and regulations
- Close partnerships with in-house counsel
- Efficient staffing and favorable rates
- Access to Nelson Mullins colleagues in other practice areas to provide comprehensive evaluation of business issues involved in decisions on environmental compliance and permitting
- Strong, effective federal and state government relations practices
- Keen judgment from accumulated experience