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Private Enforcement of Environmental Law: Key Developments, Trends and Tactics

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016

Southwestern Law School

3050 Wilshire Blvd

Los Angeles, CA 90010

Register Online: <http://environmental.calbar.ca.gov>

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Opening Remarks

8:45 a.m. - 9 a.m.

SPEAKERS: Michael Leslie, Caldwell, Leslie & Proctor
Ellison Folk, Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger

Innovative Approaches to Environmental Enforcement

9 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

In recent years, public agencies and environmental organizations have rediscovered the power of existing laws to address environmental harms. This panel will focus on recent efforts to reinvigorate private enforcement of more traditional environmental laws, including nuisance.

MODERATOR: Suma Peesapati, UC Irvine School of Law

SPEAKERS: Richard Drury, Lozeau|Drury
Jessica Brown, LA City Attorney's office
Chris Berry, Animal Rights Defense Fund

Break

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

CEQA: The "Go To" Environmental Statute

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

For decades, CEQA is has been the "go to" law for environmental petitioners. This panel will address some of the key procedural issues that arise in CEQA litigation and will address recent developments in CEQA case law, particularly as they relate to greenhouse gas emissions and mitigation.

MODERATOR: Ellison Folk, Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger

SPEAKERS: David Pettit, NRDC
Susan Durbin, Law Offices of Robert Silverstein, former
California Deputy Attorney General
Adrian Martinez, EarthJustice

LUNCH

11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Kip Lipper, Chief Policy Advisor on Energy and The Environment, Office of the Senate Pro Tem

12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

As a staff advisor to key members of the California Legislature for over 35 years, Kip Lipper has had a hand in the adoption of most environmental legislation in California. Kip will discuss the direction of California's environmental legislation and the role that private practitioners and environmental organizations play in advancing an environmental agenda.

Case Studies: Using Environmental Laws to Address Impacts from Fossil Fuels

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Many people may not realize it, but Los Angeles is more than the entertainment capital of California. It is also an oil town with a long and storied 100-year history of oil production, refining and distribution. That legacy has left Los Angeles with numerous environmental issues to deal with, from ongoing oil production and refining to natural gas storage, air pollution from Los Angeles' ports and freeways, and transportation of crude oil by rail, ship and pipelines. This panel will explore some of those environmental issues and discuss the ways in which various legal theories and tools are being used to address those problems.

MODERATOR: Michael Leslie, Caldwell Leslie & Proctor

SPEAKERS: Gladys Limon, CBE
Roger Lin, CBE
Melissa Lin Perrella, Staff Attorney, NRDC

Attorney's Fees: How to Get Paid For Your Environmental Advocacy

2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

An important factor in the private enforcement of environmental laws is how to fund those activities. In this panel, two experienced practitioners will have a discussion explaining the laws enabling prevailing plaintiffs and petitioners to recover attorneys' fees, as well as recent developments, tips and tactics.

SPEAKERS: Richard Pearl, Law Offices of Richard M. Pearl
Doug Carstens, Chatten-Brown & Carstens

Break

3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Private Enforcement Roundtable

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

In this roundtable discussion, conference panelists and participants will engage in an interesting and robust discussion of the topics covered by the various panels, brainstorm how to apply the legal tools discussed at the conference, and answer questions by the conference attendees.

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Wine and Cheese Reception to follow

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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