



Environmental & Energy Practice

Glaser Weil's Environmental and Energy Department has the depth of experience and demonstrated capability to successfully represent clients on the wide array of environmental and energy issues that can impact commercial endeavors. In today's complex regulatory and legal business climate, it's no surprise, that our lawyers have received widespread recognition for their work. In its annual Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms" survey, U.S. News and World Report named our Energy and Environmental Department as a Tier One practice group in the energy sector.

With high-stakes and shifting legal conditions now dominating the environmental and energy arenas, it is more vital than ever that clients can count on the powerful combination of expertise, responsiveness, market savvy and in-depth analysis that Glaser Weil consistently brings to the table. Our broad spectrum of clients includes: developers, construction professionals, major oil companies, regulated utilities, alternative energy providers, banks, investment firms, industrial concerns and manufacturers. The Department's attorneys have handled matters that range from overseeing the environmental and energy aspects of the CityCenter project in Las Vegas — the largest privately-funded construction project in history — to litigating a number of precedent-setting cases that have established defining legal principles under the Clean Air Act, CERCLA, RCRA and the Public Utilities Code.

The Department's attorneys were recently tasked with developing cutting-edge legal mechanisms for confronting critical issues in the emerging arenas of climate regulation and green building law, including the creation of insurance-related products to insure the validity of carbon credit transactions and LEED certifications for sustainable development. The group has also recently advised clients concerning Demand Response Auction Mechanisms and related programs. Of course, we are very familiar with compliance with CalGreen, California's statewide green building code.

Representative Practice Areas

The following list highlights some of our specialized practice areas that reach into all corners of environmental and energy law:

- Government Regulation Advice and Advocacy
- Development and Construction Counseling
- Superfund and Cost Recovery Litigation
- Contaminated Property and Natural Resources Litigation
- Carbon Finance and Regulation
- Climate Change Law
- Administrative Law and Government Affairs
- Environmental Compliance Counseling
- Traditional Energy, including Oil and Gas
- Environmental Insurance Coverage and Litigation
- Water Rights and Quality, including Wetlands
- Natural Resources
- Waste Management
- Environmental Remediation
- Toxic Torts
- Air Quality
- Proposition 65 Compliance and Litigation
- Purchase and Sale of Environmentally Contaminated Assets
- CEQA, NEPA and Land Use
- White Collar Environmental Issues
- Negotiations with Federal and State Agencies
- Land Use, Entitlements and Environmental Compliance
- Government Contracts

Environmental & Energy Sub Practices

- Environmental and Energy Litigation
- Transactional
- Regulatory

