

Jose Almanzar, Esq.

Biography: Jose Almanzar is an associate attorney with Periconi, LLC, a boutique environmental law firm in Manhattan. His practice includes the prosecution and defense of private and government cost recovery actions under State and federal Superfund laws, environmental regulatory matters, brownfields redevelopment, environmental litigation, and environmental due diligence as part of real estate and business transactions. He is the current co-chair of the Environmental Justice Committee for the New York State Bar Association's Environmental & Energy Law Section. Prior to attending law school, Jose worked as an environmental field scientist for a national environmental consulting company, where he conducted site surveys and prepared environmental investigation reports (e.g., Phase I ESAs, Asbestos Assessment Reports, etc.).

Susan E. Amron

Susan Amron is the General Counsel of the New York City Department of City Planning, New York City's primary land use agency. DCP plans for the strategic growth and development of the City through ground-up planning with communities, development of land use policies and zoning regulations applicable citywide, and contributions to preparation of the City's 10-year Capital Strategy. DCP promotes housing production and affordability, fosters economic development and coordinated investments in infrastructure and services, and supports resilient, sustainable communities across the five boroughs for a more equitable New York City. In addition, DCP supports the City Planning Commission in its review of approximately 450 land use applications each year.

Before joining DCP in January 2019, Susan served as Division Chief of the Environmental Law Division at the New York City Law Department where she advised City agencies with respect to the requirements of federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations and represented the City in environmental and land use litigation. Susan first joined the Environmental Law Division in 1990. Substantive areas of Susan's practice included assessment of potential environmental impacts and evaluation of land use issues in connection with proposed government actions and development, climate change sustainability and resiliency, wastewater collection and treatment requirements, Superfund and hazardous waste remediation, groundwater contamination, creation and protection of parkland, and air emissions and air quality standards, protection of the New York City drinking water supply, and protection of wetlands.

Susan received her law degree from Columbia University Law School, where she has taught first year legal writing for the past four years, and her undergraduate degree from Yale University.

Terresa Bakner

Terresa Bakner, a Partner with Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP, represents clients in permitting, administrative and enforcement proceedings before State and federal agencies, such as the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the New York State Department of Public Service, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the United Environmental Protection Agency and OSHA, among others. Ms. Bakner assists in obtaining land use approvals for commercial, industrial, residential, and energy projects for over thirty years. She also represents clients in projects involving brownfield redevelopment, wetlands laws and regulations, protection of endangered species and critical habitats, and the preservation of archaeological and historic resources.

Liz Barry

As Co-founder at the Public Laboratory for Open Technology and Science, Liz develops methods for bridging offline grassroots organizing and online peer production, enabling thousands of people to operate as a research collaborative in the pursuit of environmental health justice. As Co-founder of TreeKIT—a project to measure, map and monitor street trees—she is scaling the successful TreesCount! initiative conducted with the City of New York Parks Department (in which thousands of New Yorkers mapped over half a million trees) to work in any city. As a *nobody* at g0v, she advances facilitation methods for information processing-focused participatory democracy initiatives around the world. Previously, as a Fellow at the Design Trust for Public Space on the Five Borough Farm project, she developed accessible and extensible urban agriculture metrics, now in use by over 400 gardens worldwide. She taught for a decade in Columbia University's Graduate Urban Design Department, and was named an OpenGov Champion by the Sunlight Foundation.



BARBARA BEALL, PWS, LEED® AP

Principal, Director, Natural Resource Services

Ms. Beall has over 30 years of experience in all facets of environmental analysis, specializing in wetlands and waters delineation, permitting, and mitigation. She currently serves as Director of Natural Resource Services in which capacity she is also responsible for Chazen’s ecological habitat assessments, endangered species surveys, and habitat conservation planning services. Ms. Beall is an experienced environmental analyst, having prepared numerous environmental assessments and impact statements under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and has managed the approval process for diverse projects such as residential and retail developments, county jails and cellular communication towers. She has also served as an expert witness in Federal, State and Country courts. Prior to joining Chazen, Ms. Beall worked for the US Army Corp of Engineers in the Regulatory Branch.

EXPERT WITNESS PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Expert Witness, Plaintiff in Congregation Rabbinical College of Tartikov Inc... et. at. v Village of Pomona, NY et. al... in US District Court, Southern District of NY (No. 07-CV-6304)**

This case involved a successful challenge by the Plaintiffs that certain zoning and environmental ordinances enacted by the Village were unlawful under the First and Fourteenth Amendments of the US Constitution, the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000 (“RLUIPA”), the Federal Fair Housing Act, Sections 3, 9 and 11 of the New York State Constitution and New York Common Law. Ms. Beall provided expert testimony of the Village’s Wetland Law and its relationship to other local, state and federal wetland, ecological and environmental regulations.
- Expert Witness, NYSDOT in NYS Court of Claims, A-1 Auto Parts, Inc. Versus The State of NY**

This case involved the valuation of the property given past land uses and presence of wetlands. The court stated *“To the extent claimant sought to establish that it used the entire 13.14 acres for the operation of its junkyard business, the Court finds otherwise based upon the testimony of Ms. Beall, the photographs of the area, and an inspection of the property....Ms. Beall persuasively testified that the 2.2 acres of wetlands on the northeast portion of the property contained mature vegetation and other indicators inconsistent with the use of the area to store small parts or vehicles.”* Decision dated March 22, 2016.
- Expert Witness, Robert J. Hughes, Plaintiff Versus Richard A. Hughes, Jr. Defendant, State of NY Supreme Court, County of Warren, Index Number 49395**

This project involved two brothers who were arguing over the developability, and value, of a piece of land in Queensbury, as part of the dissolution of their medical practice. On behalf of the Plaintiff, Ms. Beall successfully prepared expert disclosure documents and testified in court about the presence of state regulated wetlands, their 100-foot adjacent area, and remaining uplands and the ability to develop those areas considering federal, state and local wetland regulations. The Plaintiffs successfully argued their position, and Ms. Beall’s testimony was cited in the decision.
- Expert Witness, Saranac Cogeneration Facility, Plattsburgh, NY, NYS Public Service Commission**

Ms. Beall testified about the presence, extent, and regulation of wetlands along the utility corridor and cogeneration site, the value of those wetlands, the proposed project, associated impacts, and alternatives reviewed.
- Witness, US Army Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeals Proceedings (AAPs)**

Ms. Beall has presented twice in AAPs. The first was associated with a denied US Army Corps of Engineers Individual Permit by the Buffalo District for the Benderson Development Group’s retail facility in New Hartford, NY. Following the administrative appeals process, the decision to deny the permit was remanded to the Buffalo District for re-examination of the record. A revised proffered permit subsequently was offered to Benderson Development Group. The second was an AAP for a wetland determination under the US Supreme Court SWANCC ruling. Ms. Beall provided documentation regarding the nexus to interstate waters of a wetland in Saratoga Springs.

Trainer and Educator:

- Association of Towns 2019, Presentation on Waters of the United States at Attorney Session for CLE credits.
- NYS Department of State, Certified Trainer for Wetlands to Real Estate Agents.
- Lorman, 2016, National Webinar on Waters of the United States.
- Lorman 2008-2010, Wetland Regulation in NY.
- Continuing Educational Instructor, ACEC, NYS Association of Towns, NYS Engineering Week; NYSDOT Central Office, Mid-Hudson Engineering Group, and ACEC-NY Annual Meeting.
- NYSDOT, NYSOGS, 2009, Trainer on Nationwide Permit and other Wetland Regulations.
- Wetland Training Institute, 2010, Assistant Trainer with Charles Newling on Northcentral/Northeast Regional Supplemental Delineation Manual.

EDUCATION

M.S., Environmental Studies, SUNY ESF, 1984

B.A., Environmental Chemistry, Long Island University, 1982

Advanced Wetland Delineation and Expert Witness Preparation, ACOE WES, 1988

Wetland Evaluation Technique (WET2), Federal Highway Institute, 1989

Environmental Review Process (SEQRA), Adirondack Community College, 1990

Federal Wetland/Waters Regulatory Policy, Wetland Training Institute, 2006

Co-Taught NE/NC Regional Supplement Delineation Manual with Charles Newling, Wetland Training Institute, 2010

REGISTRATION

Certified Professional Wetland Scientist: NY 267

AFFILIATIONS

Society of Wetland Scientists

LEED® Accredited Professional

Past Treasurer, Society of Wetland Scientists Professional Certification Program

Past Chair, NYS Wetland Forum



Michael J. Beckerich

President & CEO, York Analytical Laboratories, Inc.

Michael leads a best-in-class team of senior environmental professionals at York Analytical Laboratories, Inc. Before joining YORK, Mr. Beckerich held senior communications positions at pharmaceutical giants Johnson & Johnson, Warner Lambert and Amgen, where he was responsible for crisis management at the highest level and also served as a media spokesperson. In addition, Michael provided counsel to numerous senior level executives and world-renowned medical experts on policy issues at public hearings in Washington D.C. After leaving the corporate side of the biopharma industry, Mr. Beckerich was tasked with the opening of a NYC office and oversight of San Francisco operations for an 80-year-old independent public relations firm headquartered in Philadelphia.

Thomas Berkman is Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). As General Counsel, Mr. Berkman oversees more than 80 environmental attorneys. Mr. Berkman joined the DEC in 2011, and has focused on the Clean Water Act and New York's State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) program; the Clean Air Act, Solid Waste, State land issues (including acquisition and management); wetland regulations; Coastal Erosion Hazard Area (CEHA) and stream disturbance issues (including storm response procedures); protection of Natural Resources; endangered species; Brownfields; Superfund sites; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA); law enforcement; and, energy issues.

Prior to his appointment at DEC, Mr. Berkman spent three years as an Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Division of the New York Attorney General's Office and has worked for National law firms in New York City and Washington D.C.. Mr. Berkman also served as an Assistant District Attorney in New York City, Queens County.

Mr. Berkman is an alumnus of Tufts University and Boston College Law School.

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Lynn Bogin

Lynn Bogin received her PhD in Mental Health Counseling in 2017 from Pace University. She currently works as a clinician at the non-profit Astor Services for Children and Families in Beacon, NY where she provides mental health services to children ages 3-21 and their families. She is also in private practice with Blue Lotus Mental Health Counseling in Somers, NY. Lynn understands the stressors of practicing law first hand - she holds a JD from Brooklyn Law School and was an attorney for the City of New York.

Philip S. Bousquet, Esq.

Biography: Phil is a Managing member of Bousquet Holstein PLLC, with offices in Syracuse, Ithaca, and lower Manhattan. Phil focuses on a broad range of business matters, including entity structuring and all aspects of the tax credits available under the New York Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Phil has been helping clients understand the impact of the BCP on development projects since the BCP's enactment in 2003. Phil and his colleagues advise brownfield stakeholders – developers, municipalities, brokers, financial institutions, and consultants – about the benefits and use of the BCP tax credits in project financing.

Phil has spoken about the tax aspects of the BCP on behalf of many groups, including the New York State Bar Association, the Business Council of New York State, Center for Creative Land Recycling, the New York City Brownfield Partnership, the Brownfield Coalition of the Northeast, American Waste Management Association, and local municipalities and associations.

Gregory Brown, Esq. is a Shareholder with Brown Duke & Fogel, P.C. Mr. Brown has been in private practice for more than 25 years focused on environmental law and energy. Mr. Brown has particular experience representing public and private companies in environmental permitting and compliance and facility siting. He also represents parties in transactions and obtaining regulatory approvals involving the transfer of generation facilities and advising clients on managing environmental risks in business transaction. Mr. Brown is the Vice-Chair of the Environmental Committee of the Energy Bar Association.

Marshall Haimson

“Marshall Haimson is the founder and President of E-Capital Development/E-Capital Insurance Services. He has specialized in designing insurance programs for Energy and Environmental risks for over 30 years. He is currently pioneering new kinds of policies that insure the performance of renewable-energy and energy-efficiency projects, and secure the results for their owners, developers, and financiers.

As Co-Chair of Queens Chamber of Commerce’s Energy and Environmental Committee, Marshall heads up a “Gold Standard Task Force” to guide property and business owners in implementing NYC’s ambitious new energy laws (“Climate Mobilization Act of 2019”), to the benefit of the environment and to realize operational cost-savings, often without any out-of-pocket costs.

Marshall holds a Master’s Degree in Geology from Arizona State University and was previously an Exploration Geologist for Shell Oil Company.”

**Megan Higgins, Director of Offshore Energy – West
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Megan Higgins has more than 17 years of experience in environmental resource management, planning, and regulatory permitting related to ocean governance and renewable energy projects in New England, Mid-Atlantic, and the Pacific Northwest. As Director of Offshore Energy – West, Ms. Higgins conducts business development for Tetra Tech's offshore renewable energy environmental consulting business. Ms. Higgins' focus is on the development of project permitting strategies and environmental evaluation associated with energy projects, including offshore wind, marine hydrokinetics, and submarine cables. She is responsible for coordinating/facilitating the permitting process for energy projects, engaging in consultation meetings with state and federal agencies, preparing environmental assessments, and reviewing environmental work plans. Ms. Higgins provides her clients with an expertise in bridging legal permitting requirements with science-based technical information. Ms. Higgins holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies from the University of Vermont; Masters Certificate, Marine Affairs from the University of Rhode Island; and a Juris Doctorate from Roger Williams University School of Law.

Seth Kellogg, PG*

Senior Geologist

Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.

Ms. Kellogg has 25 years of experience in contaminant characterization, fate and transport and remediation. She has become a leader in evaluating and managing per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). She co-authored the first PFAS best practices guidance for the National Groundwater Association (NGWA) in 2018, represented the NGWA at the 2018 PFAS Leadership Summit in Washington D.C., and developed and facilitated the first NGWA “PFAS in Groundwater” workshop that same year. Ms. Kellogg is also a sought-out speaker on the topic of PFAS having presented at professional organizations (NGWA, NJGWA, SESH and NJAHMP) and University and Institute education events. She also authored an article in the *Environmental Claims Journal* titled “What You Should Know about Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) for Environmental Claims.” Additional areas of technical expertise include chlorinated solvents and DNAPL in groundwater, aqueous geochemistry (wet chemistry and stable isotopes), contaminated sediments (characterization, management and natural attenuation) and mercury.



AMY K. KENDALL
PARTNER

Ms. Kendall focuses her practice on environmental, land use and real estate law, and civil litigation. She has over 20 years of experience in federal and state environmental litigation, including administrative hearings. She is also regularly involved in permitting and other federal and state agency proceedings, regulatory compliance, review and commenting on environmental laws and regulations, and real estate matters, including the negotiation of utility easements for wind power. Her litigation experience has ranged from criminal trials to briefing for the United States Supreme Court and five Circuit Courts of Appeals.

While Ms. Kendall is involved in all areas of environmental law, much of her law practice has focused on water-related issues, including permitting and compliance issues for facilities, and construction in wetlands. She has been heavily involved in prosecuting and defending civil litigation under the Clean Water Act. Ms. Kendall also handles matters involving title to and permitting for work on underwater lands, as well as riparian and littoral rights. She served as co-counsel for Dryden Resources Awareness Coalition in *Norse Energy*

Corp. USA v. Town of Dryden, 108 A.D.3d 25 (3d Dep't 2013), the first lawsuit in New York involving a town's right to zone out high-volume hydraulic fracturing in the Marcellus Shale.

Ms. Kendall is the current Chair of the Genesee Finger Lakes Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association, and past Chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the Monroe County Bar Association. She also serves as delegate to the House of Delegates for the NYSBA Environmental and Energy Law Section and as Co-Chair of the Coastal and Wetlands Resources Committee. She also teaches Environmental Law at Rochester Institute of Technology. Ms. Kendall earned her J.D. from the University at Buffalo Law School, and a M.S. in Environmental Health and Safety Management from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Ms. Kendall is also the current Chair of the Ethics Committee of the Monroe County Bar Association which responds to requests from attorneys about ethical obligations and their future conduct, educates lawyers about legal ethics issues and reviews proposed changes to the New York Rules of Professional Conduct. She has served on that committee since 2010.

Peter Lehner directs Earthjustice's Sustainable Food & Farming Program, developing strategies to promote a more environmentally sound agricultural system and to reduce health, environmental, and climate harms from the production of our food.

From 2007–2015, Peter was the Executive Director of the Natural Resources Defense Council and the NRDC Action Fund. Among other new initiatives, Peter shaped a clean food program with food waste, antibiotic-free meat, regional food, and climate mitigation projects.

From 1999–2006, Peter served as chief of the Environmental Protection Bureau of the New York State Attorney General's office. He supervised all environmental litigation by and against the state. He prosecuted a wide variety of polluters, developed innovative multi-state strategies targeting global warming and air pollution emissions from electric utilities, and spearheaded novel watershed-wide enforcement programs.

Peter previously served at NRDC for four years directing the clean water program where he brought important attention to storm water pollution. Before that, he created and led the environmental prosecution unit for the New York City Law Department. He clerked for Chief Judge James Browning of the Ninth Circuit.

Peter holds an AB in philosophy and mathematics from Harvard College and is an honors graduate of Columbia University Law School, where he now teaches a seminar on food systems and U.S. environmental law. Peter is on the boards of the Rainforest Alliance, Environmental Advocates of New York, and two farms in Costa Rica, and is a member of the American College of Environmental Lawyers. He has been honored with numerous awards by EPA and many environmental groups.

Jacqueline Lendrum is the Director of the Bureau of Water Assessment and Management in the Division of Water with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation overseeing a number of program areas including Harmful Algal Bloom notifications and research; water quality monitoring and standards; Contaminants of Emerging Concerns; the Finger Lakes Water Hub and more.

Jackie graduated from SUNY Albany in 2007 where she received a PhD in environmental health and toxicology, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science.

Wendy Monterosso is an experienced environmental project management professional with strong leadership and relationship-building skills and solid experience managing all levels of environmental investigation and remediation projects, from inception to completion. She is well-versed in NYSBCP and NYCOER VCP requirements, including DER-10, and NYSDOH Soil Vapor Intrusion Guidance. Ms. Monterosso is experienced in preparing BCP Applications, Remedial Investigation Work Plans and Reports, Community Participation Plans, Health and Safety Plans, Periodic Monitoring Reports, Interim Remedial Measure Work Plans and Reports, Remedial Action Work Plans, and Final Engineering Reports. She is experienced with Phase I, Phase II, and Due Diligence Site Investigations, and is experienced with standard field sampling practices for soil, groundwater, and soil vapor/indoor air.

Walter Mugdan serves as Deputy Regional Administrator at the Region 2 office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), located in New York City. From 2008-2017 he served as Director of the Emergency and Remedial Response Division, heading up a staff of over 200 employees responsible for the Region's "Superfund" toxic waste cleanup, emergency preparedness and response, and brownfields programs. From 2002-2008 he headed the Region's Division of Environmental Planning & Protection, where his staff of about 180 scientists, engineers and planners managed the Region's air, water, hazardous waste and environmental review programs. Prior to that appointment, he served as Deputy Regional Counsel and then Regional Counsel for Region 2, where he headed a staff of 80 attorneys. He joined EPA in 1975 as a staff attorney, and subsequently served in various supervisory positions in the Office of Regional Counsel, including chief of the units responsible for Superfund, RCRA, TSCA, FIFRA and the Clean Air Act.



Julia Pettit
Senior Counsel
EDF Renewables North America

Julia Pettit is Senior Counsel at EDF Renewables North America. As part of the legal team at EDFR, Julia is regularly engaged in a broad range of legal matters related to EDFR's business, including tax equity finance, M&A, general corporate matters, and core agreements relating to utility scale renewable energy projects.

Julia began her legal practice at Bingham, Dana & Gould in Boston, Massachusetts as a litigation associate. After relocating to Park City, Utah, she served as a judicial clerk for the Honorable Samuel Alba, United States Magistrate Judge, in the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah. Following her clerkship, Julia joined the Salt Lake City, Utah office of Stoel Rives, LLP (later transitioning to the San Diego office) where she focused her practice primarily on renewable energy projects, M&A and tax equity financing. Julia joined EDFR in October 2015.

Education

- Suffolk University Law School, J.D., cum laude
- Staff member, Suffolk Transnational Law Journal
- University of Utah, B.A., economics

Bar Admissions

- Utah
- Massachusetts
- California

Civic Activities

- Member, Board of Trustees, Park City Ski Education Foundation, 2011-2014
- Board Member, Utah Solar Energy Association, 2010-2011
- Planning Commissioner, Park City Planning Commission, 2006-2012
- Member, Park City Board of Adjustment, 2007-2011

FRANK PICCININNI is a Senior Attorney and Account Executive for SterlingRisk, where he negotiates and places coverage for a variety of environmental, professional, and casualty lines of insurance. In addition to his work at SterlingRisk, Frank is a Partner at the firm SMPIL Consulting, where he works with organizations to ensure that land use proceeds in a sustainable and conscientious manner and conducts community consensus building interventions.

Frank also serves as a Director of Environmental Law and Policy for Save the Great South Bay, which is a local environmental non-profit. He is well-published in a variety of peer-reviewed Journals and serves on the Editorial Advisory Board for the prestigious Environmental Law Journal. Frank also is very active in the New York State Bar Association and serves on the Executive Committee for the Environmental Law Section.

Frank graduated cum laude from Hofstra University School of Law, where he specialized in Environmental Law. He also holds a Master of Science degree in biology from Marshall University.

Dan Richmond is a Partner at Zarin & Steinmetz, with more than 20 years of experience in environmental, land use, and real estate law. Dan counsels private and municipal clients on permitting and entitlements, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), zoning, public-private partnerships, and the New York City Watershed Regulations. Dan regularly represents clients in administrative proceedings before State and local land use boards, including municipal legislative boards, planning boards and zoning boards of appeal. He also routinely prosecutes litigation in Federal and State Courts, including Article 78 Challenges to administrative determinations.

Mr. Richmond received his Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, in 1994 from Vermont Law School, where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the Vermont Law Review. He also received a Bachelor of Arts in History from Williams College in 1989. Mr. Richmond was formerly a staff attorney with Riverkeeper, Inc., Assistant Corporation Counsel at the New York City Law Department, and an associate at Rivkin, Radler & Kremer in Uniondale, New York.

Mr. Richmond is a LEED® Accredited Professional

Publications and Speaking Experience (Partial List)

- *Author*, “SEQRA Statute of Limitations: When Will the Courts Reach Finality on This Issue?” New York Law Journal January 20, 2019.
- *Speaker*, “SEQRA: Case Law and Regulatory Update,” Lorman Educational Services, October 18, 2018 and October 24, 2018.
- *Moderator*, “Green Building Codes: Westchester Case Studies,” February 28, 2014.
- *Author*, “State Environmental Quality Review Act Through the ‘Koontz’ Prism,” New York Law Journal, September 16, 2013.
- *Speaker*, “SEQRA and Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Renewable Energy Sources,” Lorman Educational Services, June 7, 2012.
- *Speaker*, “Challenging and Reducing Governmental Exactions and Fees,” ALI-ABA Teleconference Seminar, June 14, 2011.
- *Panelist*, “Implementing Energy Projects,” Sustainable Breakfast Series, April 22, 2010.
- *Moderator*, “Navigating Local ‘Green’ Regulation & Implementation of Practical Green Building,” Sustainable Breakfast Series, February 18, 2010.

- *Speaker*, “Emerging Fields in Environmental Review: Renewable Energy Sources, and Incorporating Developing Technologies and Strategies in the Planning Process,” Lorman Educational Services, February 3, 2009.
- *Speaker*, “Practical Tips for Prosecuting and Defending Article 78 SEQRA Actions,” Lorman Educational Services, February 7, 2008.

Admissions

- New York (1995)
- United States District Court, Southern District of New York (1997)
- United States District Court, Eastern District of New York (1997)

Gary Rozmus' Brownfield Bio

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GARY ROZMUS, P.E. is a Senior Consultant with GEI Consultants and has more than 40 years of experience in the environmental consulting services field. He has been involved in the Brownfield/contaminated site redevelopment marketplace for many years and is a recognized leader in Brownfield redevelopment for private and public clients both locally and nationally. GEI provides a broad array of environmental, geotechnical, water resources, ecological science and engineering consulting services.

Gary was the First President of the Board of Directors for the New York City Brownfield Partnership and still serves on the Board. Gary has served as a conference planner, moderator and speaker for a multitude of conferences. He helped develop the New York State Chapter of the National Brownfield Association serving on the Executive Team and as Environmental Committee Co-Chair. He also served on the National Brownfield Association National Advisory Board.

Gary directs a broad range of environmental services including site investigations and remediation; Brownfield redevelopment and risk-based closure (including area-wide and site specific planning and redevelopment); pre-purchase/pre-sale assessments and due diligence and real estate transaction support; infrastructure project environmental services; environmental compliance and permitting; regulatory interaction and negotiations; hazardous materials management (including asbestos containing materials-ACM, lead-based paint and other building and facility hazardous materials); GIS mapping and inventory; hazardous and non-hazardous waste management; stormwater and wastewater management; natural resource assessments; sustainable environmental design; and facility decommissioning and demolition. He also provides litigation-related services to his clients and attorneys.

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Linda R. Shaw, Esq.
Knauf Shaw LLP

Since March 1998, Linda Shaw has been a partner at Knauf Shaw LLP, an environmental/land use law firm. Her legal practice began in 1990 after receiving a Masters in International Law and Public Administration and Law degree from St. John's University, during which time she worked for the City of New York in Sanitation, where she got her start in environmental law and then the Mayor's office. Ms. Shaw is also the owner of a certified State and City of New York woman owned business - Future Energy Development, LLC – which helps building owners secure grants for energy efficiency projects such as solar farms on brownfields and landfills and combined heat and power units for the last eight years.

Ms. Shaw's practice is focused on the facilitation of brownfield projects and associated land use and cost recovery litigation.

Curriculum Vitae
Lemuel M. Srolovic

Lem Srolovic is the Bureau Chief of the Environmental Protection Bureau in the office of New York State Attorney General Letitia James. The bureau enforces state and federal environmental laws in state and federal courts, defends state agencies when sued on environmental matters, and recovers hazardous waste remediation costs expended by the state.

Before his appointment to lead the Environmental Protection Bureau, Lem represented people harmed by toxic chemicals as an attorney with Weitz & Luxenberg in New York City.

Lem also served in the New York Attorney General's office as a Section Chief of Affirmative Litigation in the Environmental Protection Bureau, where he led an environmental enforcement group.

Before first joining the Attorney General's office, Lem was a partner at Sive, Paget and Riesel, a New York City-based environmental law firm. At Sive Paget, Lem represented businesses, industry and individuals in environmental litigation and other matters.

Lem received his law degree from New York University School of Law, where he was Editor in Chief of the *NYU Journal of International Law & Politics*. Following law school, Lem clerked for the Honorable Robert G. Doumar, Senior U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Adam Stolorow

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Adam Stolorow is a partner with Sive, Paget & Riesel P.C., where his practice focuses on environmental, land use, regulatory and municipal law. In addition to litigation in these areas of law, his work includes the environmental review and permitting of public and private development projects. Adam is a Co-Chair of the Environmental Impact Assessment Committee of the NYSBA Environmental & Energy Law Section and is a board member of Green Guerillas and the NYC Climate Action Alliance. Prior to joining Sive, Paget & Riesel in 2011, Adam served as an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Environmental Law Division of the New York City Law Department, as an aide to then-U.S. Senator Barack Obama, and as a communications officer in the

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Background and Experience

Scope of Responsibilities

Howard Tollin is President of Sterling Environmental and Professional Services, and Executive Vice President of SterlingRisk. He consults with clients, and lawyers for clients, on unique risk management solutions to address manufacturing and distribution, real estate, gas station and other business concerns, which include environmental and professional exposures. He also coordinates risk management and insurance for architects, engineers, environmental consultants, construction companies, project owners and developers, which includes contract reviews.

Qualifications

Mr. Tollin is an attorney, environmental risk consultant, and licensed property and casualty broker. Over the past 30 years, he has facilitated hundreds of property and corporate transactions in which the sale had died or remained on hold because of environmental concerns. Prior to Sterling, Mr. Tollin was Managing Director at Aon Risk Solutions where he supervised the northeast region on accounts with environmental exposures. Mr. Tollin was a Partner in the Insurance Practice Group at Rivkin Radler, LLP, where he supervised complex insurance coverage litigation and environmental claims involving billions of dollars for 12 years.

Education/Designations

Mr. Tollin holds an insurance brokerage license in New York, and many other states. Further, he is admitted to practice law in New York and Connecticut, and several Federal courts. He holds a B.S. Degree with Honors in Economics from Binghamton University, and a J.D. Degree from Hofstra University School of Law. His awards include: Pop.earth Autism Ally (2016); LIBN Leadership in Law Award (2013); SterlingRisk Exceptional Sales & Leadership Forum, Top Producer (2013-19); Liberty Mutual Responsibility Leader Award (2012); Environmental Power Broker by Risk & Insurance Magazine (2009, 2102); Aon Excellence Roundtable (2007, 2009); and Keter Shem Tov ("Crown of a Good Name") (2007).

Affiliations

Mr. Tollin is the NYSBA Environmental & Energy Section Chair (2019), Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary (2016- 2018), NYSBA House of Delegate (2011-2015 term); Executive Committee for NYC Brownfield Partnership (2018-19); and past Board of Directors for non-profit NPCR (2009 - 2016). He is also the Editor-in-Chief (2012 - present) of the Environmental Claims Journal, and has authored many published articles on environmental and insurance topics.



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Mr. Yanuck is the founder and President of Laurel Environmental Geosciences, DPC. As proprietor of the firm for the past 27 years he has experience working numerous environmental projects under key New York State (NYS) and New York City (NYC) regulatory programs, including; NYS Superfund; NYS Brownfield Program; NYS Spills Program and projects involving the NYC Office of Environmental Remediation. He has worked on hundreds of due diligence projects on behalf of real estate developers, financial institutions, private investors and legal counsel. Mr. Yanuck has served as an expert witness on a number of cases in New York State pertaining to environmental damages and cost recovery. Mr. Yanuck is a licensed Professional Geologist in New York State (#000330) and holds a BS degree in Geology and MS degree in Hydrogeology from Stony Brook University.

Significant Projects

- Managed project that was the first to receive Green Property Certification from NYC Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER).
- Successfully completed 5 NYC OER Brownfield Projects, with 5 more currently in progress.
- Partner of team that purchased and redeveloped 24 Brownfield properties in Nassau County.
- Designed and installed remediation system at a State Superfund Site in Plainview, NY. Obtained NYS DEC signoff and release of liability under the VCA-Brownfield Program.
- Tank removal, remediation and monitoring of an E designated site in Greenpoint. Obtained spill closure and notice to proceed.
- Completed a large project for the NYC MTA utilizing a new approach to successfully remove oil from soil using Biosolve.
- Conducted Clean Ground EKO/GRID pilot studies, using new electro-kinetic technology to remediate hydrocarbons in soil and groundwater.
- Site investigation, delineation and successful remediation and RCRA Closure conducted at a hazardous waste facility in Farmingdale, NY.
- Investigation, remediation and successful closure of an industrial site with a large, previously undocumented landfill in Westbury, NY. Site is now a Super Stop and Shop.
- Conducted testing, delineation and successful remediation and spill closure at a former gas station in Maspeth, NY. Site is now a hotel.

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