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My Practice

ENVIRONMENTAL - Environmental Assessment, Environmental Counseling, Environmental Regulatory Enforcement, Environmental Regulatory Permitting, Environmental Remediation, Environmental Rulemaking

NATURAL RESOURCES - Native American Natural Resources, Oil and Gas, Water Quality

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

David's practice focuses on environmental remediation, enforcement, and litigation and regulatory counseling. David represents clients with complex environmental remediation sites, natural resource damage claims, environmental and toxic tort litigation, solid and hazardous waste compliance and permitting, asbestos abatement, water quality permitting and compliance, underground storage tank corrective actions, and environmental due diligence matters. During the past year, he has advised clients on remediation sites in 20 states involving soil, groundwater, and sediment cleanup. He also has conducted over 120 comprehensive environmental compliance audits throughout the United States and internationally over the past 25 years. He has counseled clients on over 500 real estate transactions in 11 different states.

David practices at the intersection of preparation, experience and know-how. More recently, David has advised clients on remediation sites in 20 states involving soil, groundwater, and sediment cleanup. He also has conducted over 120 comprehensive environmental compliance audits throughout the United States and internationally over the past 25 years, as well as counseled clients on over 500 real estate transactions in 11 different states.

Client and colleagues alike appreciate that David is solution-oriented and looks for practical ways to realize each client's end game when it comes to dealing with environmental matters. Always prepared, David is valued for his ability to consistently identify the issues and options that matter most and will make the difference for his clients. A precision communicator with meticulous attention to detail and accuracy, David answers complex questions in a streamlined, understandable way.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Representing clients on over 100 remediation sites in 20 different states, resolving their environmental liabilities and negotiating cost recovery and cleanup settlements.
- Representing clients in over 18 cost recovery actions under Superfund, solid waste and underground storage tank laws.
- Successfully obtaining government agency closure of contaminated sites in Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington.
- Conducting over 120 comprehensive environmental compliance audits in 30 states, Brazil, Canada and Venezuela during the past 20 years.
- Representing clients on over 500 Real Estate Environmental Site Assessments.
- Participating in the development of environmental legislation and regulations in four states and on the federal level. From 1995-2000, Mr. Wallis was the primary author of the Arizona Solid Waste Statute and amendments to Arizona's Hazardous Waste, Special Waste, Used Oil and Waste Tire Statutes.

- Serving as Newsletter Editor (1994-96) and Executive Council Member (1996-2001) of the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section of the State Bar of Arizona; Chairman of the Arizona Chamber of Commerce Solid and Hazardous Waste Subcommittee (1997-present); Chairman of the Arizona Solid Waste Coalition (1995-present); member, Maricopa Association of Governments Solid Waste Advisory Committee (1998-present); and Visiting Instructor on environmental law at Arizona State University (1989-present).

EDUCATION

Brigham Young University
J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1988
Order of the Coif
Editor-in-Chief, Law Review

Brigham Young University
B.A., 1985

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Arizona, 1988
- Utah, 2001
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, 1988
- U.S. District Court, District of Utah, 2001

ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- State Bar of Arizona, Member
- Arizona State University, Adjunct Faculty, 1989-Present
- Arizona Solid Waste Coalition, Chair, 1995-Present
- State Bar of Arizona, Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, Executive Council, 1996-2000
- State Bar of Arizona, Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, Editor, 1994-1996
- Environmental Auditing Roundtable, Member, 1995-2000
- Arizona Chamber of Commerce, Solid and Hazardous Waste Subcommittee, Chair, 1997-2011
- Maricopa County Association of Governments, Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Member, 1998-2002

HONORS & AWARDS

- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating, *Martindale-Hubbell*
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Environmental Law, 2009-2022
- *Chambers USA*®, 2019-2021
- BTI Client Service All-Star, BTI Consulting Group, 2013
- Arizona's Finest Lawyers, 2011
- "The International Who's Who of Environment Lawyers", 2011

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

Over the past years, David has worked on the following remediation, litigation and due diligence projects:

- Represented a former owner and operator of the USS Lead Smelter and Refinery Site in East Chicago, Indiana on various multi-party remedial investigations, removal actions, remedial actions and liability allocation.
- Acted as lead legal counsel on townsite soil remediation projects in four states involving remediation of over 3,000 residential and commercial properties.
- Represented a client in a multi-million dollar cost recovery and class action lawsuits related to remediation projects in Oklahoma and New Jersey.
- Negotiated a settlement of natural resource damage claims in associated with a former smelter site in Oklahoma, and actively defending natural resource damage claims in three other states.
- Provided strategic legal advice to clients in sediment remediation projects in Michigan, New Jersey, Montana and New York.
- Represented clients on on-going townsite residential remediation projects in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Kansas, Illinois, and Arizona.
- Evaluated environmental liabilities and permitting requirements at new mining and manufacturing projects in Arizona, Nevada

and Utah.

- Conducted environmental due diligence at commercial sites in Arizona, California, Colorado, Utah and Washington.