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OVERVIEW

Dawn M. Lamparello concentrates her practice in environmental law, including related regulatory compliance and litigation concerning various federal and state environmental statutes. Dawn counsels clients in connection with complex CERCLA site studies and remedies, as well as RCRA waste management issues, across the United States. She also advises clients in numerous sectors on permitting and reporting for various environmental media, including water, air and chemical management. Dawn co-leads the firm's cross-practice Emerging Contaminants task force, managing and guiding compliance on issues related to PFAS and other emerging contaminants under federal and state programs.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Dawn served as a law clerk to the Honorable Patricia K. Costello, Assignment Judge, Superior Court of New Jersey.

Dawn is active in K&L Gates' recruiting committee, working with her partners to actively recruit summer associates and lateral candidates for the firm. As an associate, she was selected to participate in the firm's Global Associate Symposiums in 2012, 2013 and 2014. In addition, Dawn has handled a number of pro bono cases providing legal services to victims of domestic violence.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers USA* for Environment in New Jersey, 2025
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer for Environment: litigation, 2024
- NJLJ New Leaders of the Bar - 2016
- [ACOEL Fellow - 2023](#)

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- New Jersey State Bar Association, Environmental Law Section, Board of Directors

- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Editorial Board, 2012-2025
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Renewable Energy, Cleantech and Climate Change Committee, Past Co-Chair
- American Bar Association, Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources: Superfund and Natural Resource Damages Litigation Committee, Past Marketing Vice-Chair
- NJ LEEP (Law Education Empowerment Program). Served as mentor to a high school student in Newark, NJ in this law-related education programming organization.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, SESH 2026 Annual Symposium, 13-16 April 2026
- Speaker, 2025 Sediment Workshop, K&L Gates Seattle, 12 August 2025
- Speaker, New Jersey State Bar Association Annual Meeting, 15 May 2025
- Speaker, "Old and in the Way: Managing Long Standing Superfund Sites," American Bar Association, March 2025
- Speaker, Chemistry Council of New Jersey, RCRA Regulatory Update, October 2018
- Speaker, New Jersey Environmental Law Forum, RCRA/Waste Management Regulatory Update, June 2018
- Speaker, Environmental Obligations in Bankruptcy: Reconciling the Conflicting Goals of Bankruptcy and Environmental Laws, 27 March 2018

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

EDUCATION

- J.D., Seton Hall University School of Law, 2006
- B.A., University of Miami, 2003

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New Jersey
- Bar of New York
- Supreme Court of the United States

- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 2 December 2025, EPA Proposes Modifications to PFAS Reporting Rule
- 29 September 2025, Emerging Contaminant Spotlight: Ortho-Phthalates
- 26 August 2025 , Vermont's Agency of Natural Resources to Implement Nation's First Household Hazardous Waste Stewardship Program
- 20 May 2025, EPA Provides Update on PFAS Drinking Water Standards
- 7 May 2025, EPA Announces Upcoming Plans to Address PFAS
- 4 March 2025, Pest Practices: EPA Uses FIFRA to Adopt Additional Operational and Workplace Controls on Ethylene Oxide
- 17 December 2024, Apportioning the Cost of Household Hazardous Waste Management in Vermont
- 7 May 2024, Forever CERCLA: EPA Designates Certain PFAS as Hazardous Substances Under Superfund
- 22 April 2024, PFAS Regulation Continues to Take Center Stage: EPA Releases Final Drinking Water Standards
- 5 April 2024, Parts Per Trillion: Illinois Proposes Stringent Groundwater Quality Standards for PFAS Compounds
- 30 January 2024, 2023 PFAS Regulatory Roundup and Looking Ahead
- 18 August 2023, July 2023 Accolades
- 18 July 2023, EPA Releases New Framework Addressing New PFAS and New Uses of PFAS in the Market
- 14 June 2023, EPA's Reinterpretation of the RCRA Industrial Ethyl Alcohol Exemption
- 17 March 2023, EPA Releases Proposed PFAS Drinking Water Standards and Expands List of Regulated Substances
- 29 August 2022, EPA Designates PFAS Chemicals As Hazardous Substances in Newly Proposed CERCLA Regulations
- 5 April 2022, EPA Further Expands NPL List - Is Your Company a Potentially Responsible Party?
- 3 February 2022, EPA Releases Final TSCA Scope Document for First Two Phthalate Chemicals
- 24 January 2022, EPA and States Get Busy on PFAS Waste Regulation

- 27 April 2021, PFAS: A Legislative, Regulatory and Industry Update
- 12 January 2021, PFAS - EPA Interim Guidance on How to Say Goodbye to Your "Forever Chemicals"
- 17 September 2020, EPA Expands NPL List - Is Your Company a Potentially Responsible Party?
- 27 April 2020, U.S. Supreme Court Requires EPA Approval of State Law Remedy for Extra Cleanup at ARCO's Anaconda Smelter CERCLA Superfund Site
- 9 January 2019, EPA Finalizes Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals Rule
- 30 November 2016, EPA Finalizes Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- ["Biosolid Contaminants Spawn Litigation, Regulation Risks,"](#) *Law360*, August 2025
- [New Jersey Lawyer Magazine, Special Editor, Renewable Energy, June 2024](#)
- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Author, ['Forever Chemicals' and the Law: Broadening PFAS Regulations and Legislation](#), June 2024
- [New Jersey Lawyer Magazine, Special Editor, Renewable Energy, June 2022](#)
- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Special Editor, Technology and Law, June 2019
- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Special Editor, Bankruptcy, February 2019
- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Special Editor, Environmental Law, October 2016
- ["Key Environmental Liability Considerations in Bankruptcy Actions,"](#) *New Jersey Lawyer*, October 2016
- *New Jersey Lawyer Magazine*, Special Editor, Class Actions, April 2015

NEWS & EVENTS

- 10 December 2024, "Under the Wire" CLE Seminar—Emerging Contaminants: Regulations, Litigation, and Insurance Coverage—What You Need to Know
- 23 January 2024, Update on Environmental and Regulatory Issues, Hosted by NJAPA
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 8 October 2021, Renewable Energy, Clean Tech and Climate Change Conference, hosted by New Jersey State Bar Association
- 17 February 2016, K&L Gates Names 50 New Partners

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Environment, Land, and Natural Resources

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Goods and Services
- Household Goods
- Manufacturing
- Technology

EMERGING ISSUES

- Emerging Contaminants

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Serve as common counsel to a group of potentially responsible parties carrying out a CERCLA study of a former hazardous waste landfill site in Puerto Rico.
- Advise major technology manufacturer on federal environmental permitting and compliance, including related to air, waste, and chemical management.
- Counseled major technology manufacturer regarding use and regulation of PFAS compounds under TSCA.
- Advised construction aggregates producer regarding ISRA compliance at numerous NJ facilities.
- Represented hazardous waste incinerator in connection with litigation related to alleged PFAS contamination of a water supply.
- Represent food packaging manufacturer in connection with litigation related to alleged PFAS contamination of a water supply.
- Oversaw multimedia environmental audit of major manufacturing facility.
- Serves as common counsel to companies participating in the Lower Passaic River Study Area Cooperating Parties Group, which is engaged with federal and state agencies in a CERCLA study of the Lower Passaic River in Northern New Jersey.
- Manages the portfolio of nearly 100 Superfund sites across the country for major manufacturing clients.
- Advise clients in connection with CERCLA mega-sediment site studies and remedies.

- Defended electric utility against CERCLA claim by property lessee adjacent to World Trade Center site. Plaintiff demanded reimbursement of cleanup costs for contamination by “World Trade Center Dust.” Successfully moved to dismiss plaintiff’s complaint.
- Counsels global cosmetic manufacturer regarding retail waste management across the United States and coordinates guidance regarding international waste management issues, including: Compliance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), individual state laws and regulations, recycling provisions, and universal waste requirements; Development of retail waste management and reverse distribution programs to comply with evolving laws and regulations.
- Advised European cosmetics brand regarding RCRA and individual state requirements for various retail store openings in the United States.
- Represents nonprofit organization that promotes the use of sustainable practices during the investigation, construction, remediation, redevelopment, and monitoring of environmental cleanup sites.
- Defended vehicle auction facility against NJ Environmental Rights Act claims.
- Represented buyer of quarry property, including performing environmental due diligence, overseeing significant post-closing soil and groundwater investigation and remediation obligations of seller pursuant to the NJ Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRRA) and the NJ Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA), negotiating access agreements, and coordinating with NJ LSRP.
- Counseled real estate development company in industrial property acquisition, including performing environmental due diligence and managing ISRA compliance.
- Counsels major manufacturer regarding environmental permitting and indemnity issues in connection with sale of hazardous waste treatment business.
- Represent major retail manufacturer in defending CERCLA cost recovery action in connection with RCRA cleanup matter.