

Taylor Holcomb

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Biography

Taylor Holcomb is an energy, environmental, and regulatory lawyer known for delivering practical advice that helps his clients stay ahead of industry trends and achieve their business objectives.

Taylor's practice focuses on the development and permitting of domestic energy projects, ensuring compliance with state and federal laws, and defending against claims brought by administrative agencies and environmental activist groups. He has practiced before a variety of federal, state, and local agencies, including the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Texas Railroad Commission, the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the New Mexico Environment Department, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Prior to Jackson Walker, Taylor practiced at an international law firm and served as in-house regulatory counsel for a midstream energy company.

Practice Experience

- Defending clients in Clean Air Act enforcement actions, including actions brought by the TCEQ and the New Mexico Environment Department's Air Quality Bureau
- Advising midstream company on development of carbon capture and sequestration projects
- Representing clients before the EPA and TCEQ on various Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act compliance and permitting issues
- Writing comments for industry and trade groups on behalf of federal environmental rule proposals
- Representing clients in wholesale water rate proceedings at the Public Utility Commission of Texas
- Arbitrating environmental dispute on behalf of private equity company
- Shepherding environmental audits of Texas and New Mexico facilities
- Advised asset management companies on environmental aspects of transactions
- Represented gas utility in various regulatory matters, including in rate case hearings at the Texas Railroad Commission
- Represented clients before the Texas Railroad Commission, including in hearings regarding Statewide Rule 32 flaring permits



Practice Areas

- Environment & Natural Resources

Experience

- Administrative and Regulatory
- Air Quality
- Climate Change & Carbon Management
- Electric Power
- Environmental & Energy
- Environmental Compliance & Enforcement
- Environmental Litigation & Toxic Tort
- Government Affairs
- Pipeline & Midstream
- Produced Water

Education

B.A., *summa cum laude*, Texas A&M University

J.D., *with high honors*, The University of Texas School of Law

- *Texas Law Review*
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Bar Admissions

Texas

- Advised on permitting of cross-border reclaimed water pipeline
- Defended mining company against state court allegations regarding violations of environmental laws
- Represented a large coal and coke export facility on the Gulf Coast in defense of a Clean Water Act citizens suit initiated by a combination of local and national environmental NGOs
- Represented clients in contested case hearings at the State Office of Administrative Hearings

Recognition & Accolades

- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business, Up and Coming in Environment - Texas, 2023
- The Best Lawyers in America (Woodward/White Inc.), 2022-2024
 - Environmental Law, 2022-2024
 - Litigation - Environmental, 2024
- "The Lawdragon Green 500: Leaders in Environmental Law" - Environmental Compliance & Regulation, Lawdragon, 2024

Publications & Speeches

- Featured in "Gas Ban Movement at Risk as Berkeley Repeals Landmark Law" by Natural Gas Week (April 2024)
- Author, "Understanding the New EPA Fees for Oil and Gas Companies," Jackson Walker Insights (April 2024)
- Author, "Navigating the Securities and Exchange Commission's Latest Amendments," Jackson Walker Insights (March 2024)
- Featured in "US Ruling Could Upend Gas Bans Far Beyond Berkeley" by Energy Intelligence (April 2023)
- Presenter, "How the NMED's Ozone Precursor Rule May Affect Your Facilities Part 2 with a Lawyer's Perspective," Trinity Consultants Webinar (November 2022)
- Author, "December Weatherization Deadline Looms for Texas Natural Gas," Hart Energy (October 2022)
- Presenter, "Rinse & Repeat: Reusing Recycled Produced Water," Jackson Walker's Hot Topics in Oilfield Produced Water Webinar (July 2022)
- Co-Author, "U.S. Supreme Court Endorses Major Questions Doctrine as Interpretive Canon in EPA Ruling," Jackson Walker Insights (July 2022)
- Co-Author, "The SEC's Climate Disclosure Requirements Are Heating Up," Jackson Walker Insights (April 2022)
- Presenter, "Check Your (Texas Audit) Privilege: It Might not be Available in Federal Court," Dallas Bar Association Environmental Law Section (October 2021)
- Co-Author, "Check Your (Texas Audit) Privilege: It Might not be Available in Federal Court," *Texas Lawyer* (August 2021)
- Presenter, "EPA's Cooling Water Intake Structure Regulations - What They Are and What They Mean," ERCOT Market Summit in Austin, Texas (February 2015)
- Presenter, "EPA's New Rules on Impingement and Entrainment: How Will They Affect the Power Sector?," Gulf Coast Power Association Luncheon in Dallas, Texas (June 2014)
- Co-Author, "Legislation Could Keep Good Times Flowing in Texas Shales," *E&P* (June 2014)
- Co-Author, "Roadblocks Ahead for EPA's Stationary Source GHG Permitting?," *Zephyr Currents* (January 2014)

Community Involvement

- Side by Side Kids, Board of Directors and Secretary
- Texas Environmental Superconference, Planning Committee, 2021
- West Lake Hills City Council, Member, 2012-2015