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Hilary Meltzer has been Deputy Chief of the Environmental Law Division of the New York City Law Department since 2010, and has been a member of that Division since 1992. She practices environmental and municipal law, focusing primarily on issues relating to New York City's drinking water supply and stormwater management systems.

She has worked on the negotiations of the 1997, 2002, and 2007 Filtration Avoidance Determinations for the City's Catskill and Delaware Water Supply Systems – which together supply approximately 1.1 billion gallons a day of high quality, affordable drinking water to over nine million people. She also remains involved in implementing the 1997 New York City Watershed Memorandum of Agreement, a landmark agreement among the City, New York State, the U.S. EPA, the communities in the watershed, and several environmental advocacy organizations to protect water quality as well as the economic vitality of the upstate communities.

Her work includes counseling and litigation – both affirmative lawsuits to protect water quality and compliance work and defending against challenges to the City's operation of its water supply system. She participated in the negotiation of New York City's 2005 CSO consent order and the Citywide MS4 permit that took effect in 2015, and is currently working with over a dozen City agencies to develop a workable approach to compliance.

Hilary received a JD from Yale Law School and a bachelor's degree with distinction in mathematics from Swarthmore College. She is admitted to the bars of New York State, the Southern, Eastern, and Northern Districts of New York, the Second and Eleventh Circuits, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

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Russ Randle has practiced environmental law since 1981, with extensive experience not only with superfund and contaminated properties, but also with the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Oil Pollution Acts (OPA), and antimicrobial issues under FIFRA. Mr. Randle has been published extensively on the issues, including the 2012 Environmental Law Institute's Oil Pollution Deskbook. His current work includes helping Leon County, Florida in federal clean water permitting controversies.

Mr. Randle has helped clients with the environmental aspects of hundreds of transactions since 1987. He has litigated or settled cases concerning cleanup of well over 100 contaminated sites, many of them on the National Priorities List.

Mr. Randle serves as Chair of the Superfund and Natural Resource Damages Litigation Committee of the ABA's Section on Environment, Energy and Resources, which he served as Vice-Chair from 2009-2014. He has also assisted pro bono on Anacostia River cleanup standards and

sustainable design efforts to help in that cleanup, working with DC Appleseed. He has helped various Episcopal Church entities comply with OFAC sanctions rules.

Mr. Randle graduated from Princeton University magna cum laude with an AB degree and received his JD from Yale Law School.