



2019 National Clean Water Law & Enforcement Seminar

Cutting Edge Legal & Enforcement Developments

November 20 - 22, 2019 | JW Marriott Austin | Austin, TX

*All Meeting Spaces are on Level 2 unless otherwise noted.
(As of August 19, 2019)*

Wednesday, November 20

Morning

8:00 – 12:00 Registration

9:00 – 11:45 **PLENARY SESSION I**
Welcoming Remarks

2019 Seminar Overview

Panel Discussion

Climate and Resiliency: Legal Considerations

10:30 – 10:45 Networking Break

10:45- 11:45 *Panel Discussion*
Procurement/Construction Contracts

Afternoon

12:00 – 1:30 *Luncheon Address*

1:30 – 4:00 Registration

2:00 – 5:00 **PLENARY SESSION II**

Regulatory Roundtable

What do EPA and state regulators view as the most important clean water legal and regulatory issues? This discussion is a must for any clean water attorney or utility manager wanting to better understand the perspectives and priorities – both competing and complimentary - of those who regulate and enforce.

3:30 – 3:45 Networking Break

Ethics

This session will use hypothetical scenarios to explore common ethics issues for in-house attorneys, such as employee misconduct, negotiations, electronic communications, and more. Join us to learn the latest on essential ethics questions and learn how to avoid common pitfalls.

Closing Remarks/ Announcements

Evening

6:00 – 7:00

Reception

Thursday, November 21

Morning

8:00 – 12:00

Registration

9:00 – 12:00

PLENARY SESSION III Opening Remarks

Keynote Address

The U.S. Supreme Court is changing the clean water law landscape. This keynote address will provide an in-depth analysis of recent and upcoming decisions that will impact the future of environmental and administrative law.

9:45 – 10:00

Networking Break

10:00 – 12:00

Panel Discussion

Compliance Options to Meet Water Quality Standards

In theory, Clean Water regulators and the public water utility sector have many options to comply with Water Quality Based Effluent Limits such as Use Attainability Analyses (UAAs), variances, compliance schedules, integrated planning, and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs). How accessible are these tools? What are the impediments to widespread implementation? For CSO communities finishing long-term control plans, what will be required to show compliance and how can and should these tools be utilized? This panel will explore the pros, cons, and practical realities of these tools.

Afternoon

12:00 – 2:00

Lunch on Your Own

1:45 – 4:00

Registration

2:00 – 5:00

PLENARY SESSION IV Opening Remarks

2:00 – 3:30

Panel Discussion

Top CWA Legal Developments of the Year

(Closed to Press & Regulators)

Central to your job as a clean water attorney is understanding the impact that court decisions from around the country will have on the obligations of your clients. But how can you keep track of all the various court cases and figure out which ones are truly important? Not to worry, NACWA has you covered! This roundtable of top clean water lawyers will review the most important court decisions and CWA legal developments of the past year and provide critical insights for both clean water attorneys and managers on how these issues could affect your utility.

3:30 - 3:45

Networking Break

3:45 - 5:00

Panel Discussion

Top CWA Enforcement and Permitting Developments of the Year

(Closed to Press & Regulators)

This roundtable discussion will evaluate the latest trends in permitting and enforcement including consent decrees.

Closing Remarks/Announcements

Evening

6:00 – 7:00

Reception

Friday, November 22

Morning

8:30 - 10:30

Registration

9:00 – 12:00

PLENARY SESSION V Opening Remarks

Primer

PFAS 101: A Technical, Regulatory, Legal, and Legislative Overview of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

10:15 – 10:30

Networking Break

10:30 – 12:00

Panel Discussion

The Ripple Effect of Regulatory Uncertainty: A Deeper Dive into the Challenges and Risks Posed by PFAS

Closing Remarks/Adjourn