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13th Annual Advanced Seminar on the

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

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September 15, 2017

Santa Monica, California

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8:00 Registration Opens

8:30 Introduction & Overview

James L. Arnone, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Latham & Watkins LLP ~ Los Angeles, CA

Douglas Carstens, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Chatten-Brown & Carstens ~ Hermosa Beach, CA

8:45 **Will Federal Environmental Policy Affect CEQA Analysis? Will Trump Trump CEQA?**

From climate change policies to NEPA streamlining, federal policy changes can widen the gap between NEPA and CEQA and complicate joint federal/state environmental assessments

David Pettit, Esq., Senior Attorney
Natural Resources Defense Council ~ Santa Monica, CA

Janice M. Schneider, Esq.
Latham & Watkins LLP ~ Washington, DC

9:30 **Health Risk Assessments in CEQA Documents: When Should You Do Them?**

Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's updated Toxic Hot Spot guidelines; recent court cases on health risks; the when and how for including health risk assessments in CEQA documents?

Jillian Wong, Ph.D., Planning and Rules Manager
South Coast Air Quality Management District
Diamond Bar, CA

Susan K. Hori, Esq.
Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP ~ Costa Mesa, CA

10:15 Break

10:30 **New Considerations in Preparing Administrative Records: How City of San Jose v. Smith Has Impacted Traditional Practices**

When are documents maintained on personal accounts part of the administrative record? What are the best practices local governments should consider implementing?

Lauren B. Langer, Esq.
Jenkins & Hogin LLP ~ Manhattan Beach, CA

Michelle Black, Esq.
Chatten-Brown & Carstens ~ Hermosa Beach, CA

Ginetta L. Giovinco, Esq.
Richards Watson & Gershon PC ~ Los Angeles, CA

11:30 **Will SB 375's "Transit Priority Project" Exemption Finally Start Being Used?**

Nine years after SB 375 was adopted, the Transit Priority Project CEQA exemption seems on the verge of coming into use: Land use policy and project development opportunities and challenges from proceeding with this long-standing but little-used exemption

Benjamin J. Hanelin, Esq.
Latham & Watkins LLP ~ Los Angeles, CA

Jamie T. Hall, Esq.
Channel Law Group LLP ~ Beverly Hills, CA

12:15 Lunch (on your own)

1:30 **New Developments in CEQA Appellate Case Law**

Andrea K. Leisy, Esq.
Remy Moose Manley LLP ~ Sacramento, CA

2:45 **Energy Consumption Analyses: Remember Appendix F**

EIR requirements to assess energy consumption impacts: Rediscovery of Appendix F to the CEQA Guidelines

Adrian Martinez, Esq., Staff Attorney
Earthjustice ~ Los Angeles, CA

Michelle Ouellette, Esq.
Best Best & Krieger LLP ~ Riverside, CA

3:30 Break

3:45 **Climate Change Assessments: Where Are We Now?**

Current trends, risks, and opportunities for greenhouse gas emissions assessments in CEQA documents

Shari B. Libicki, Ph.D., Principal
Ramboll Environ Inc ~ San Francisco, CA

Margaret Moore Sohagi, Esq.
The Sohagi Law Group PLC ~ Los Angeles, CA

5:00 **Implementing SB 743: The Coming Transition to Vehicle Miles Traveled**

An examination of the final guidelines to replace traditional Level of Service (LOS) analysis with Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT); and practical implementation tips

Beth Collins-Burgard, Esq.
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck LLP ~ Santa Barbara, CA

5:30 **Evaluations & Adjourn**



About the Seminar

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What previous attendees have said:

"Panelists represented a good range of fields and interests. Well moderated session"

"Impressive collection of presenters!"

"Loved the materials."

"Good timing, questions. Will return next year"

This is another big year in CEQA law and policy. Once again this seminar will feature presentations on the most important developments confronting land use and environmental professionals today. With so many CEQA cases making it to the California Supreme Court, this year we will focus several presentations on those cases, including discussing the Supreme Court's pending Friends of Eel River and Friant Ranch. Changes at the federal level in the past year are likely to have profound repercussions in California, including on CEQA review so we will be examining how those changes are playing out. California has set greenhouse gas emission reduction as a top priority and we will be examining recent activity to assess and mitigate the impacts. Now that SB 375 has had a chance to take a hold on planning throughout the state, we will examine if it has delivered on promises of promoting transit-oriented development. We will also discuss Guidelines requirements in Appendix F for analyses of energy consumption.

Our day will include the perennial favorite of "quick hits" from a leading CEQA treatise author about the many published CEQA decisions over the last twelve months.

~ Program Co-Chairs: **James L. Arnone, Esq. of Latham & Watkins LLP** and **Douglas Carstens, Esq. of Chatten-Brown & Carstens**



James L. Arnone, Program Co-Chair, is the global Chair of the Environment, Land & Resources Department at Latham & Watkins LLP. He has particular experience in the following areas: Compliance with state and federal environmental laws; infrastructure, energy and real estate development projects; and litigation over the legal obligations of local, state and federal governmental bodies. Most recently, He was recognized by the *Daily Journal* as one of "California's Top 50 Development Lawyers."

Douglas Carstens, Program Co-Chair, is managing partner at Chatten-Brown & Carstens. He has extensive experience in environmental, land use, municipal and natural resource matters, being extensively involved in all of the appellate litigation handled by Chatten-Brown & Carstens. He takes pride in the over 90% success rate in reported cases.

Michelle Black joined Chatten-Brown & Carstens after working with the United States Department of Justice's Environmental Enforcement Section, San Diego Coastkeeper, and the Frank G. Wells Environmental Law and Policy Clinic.

Beth Collins-Burgard is a shareholder at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck LLP. She assists various landowners, public agencies and institutions, energy companies and developers through all stages of the development process, specializing in high-controversy projects and properties.

Ginetta L. Giovinco is a shareholder at Richards Watson & Gershon PC and Chair of the Firm's Coastal Department. She represents municipalities and public entities, as well as private sector clients, land use issues, including CEQA.

Jamie T. Hall at Channel Law Group LLP is a civil litigator and lead attorney in environmental, zoning and land use matters and represents clients across the country before zoning boards, city councils and public utility commissions.

Benjamin J. Hanelin, counsel at Latham & Watkins LLP, practices in all areas of environmental law with a particular focus on major infrastructure improvements. This includes California Environmental Quality Act and California Coastal Act litigation.

Susan K. Hori is a partner at Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP. Her practice focuses on land use planning issues, including development entitlements and regulatory permits for real estate development projects and the resolution of environmental issues affecting real property.

Lauren B. Langer, Jenkins & Hugin LLP, serves as Assistant City Attorney for the Cities of Lomita and Hermosa Beach, and regularly advises the West Hollywood Planning Department and Malibu Environmental Programs Department.

Andrea K. Leisy is a partner at Remy Moose Manley LLP. Her practice focuses on advising and representing public agencies, project applicants and citizen's groups during administrative proceedings and in trial and appellate litigation, with a focus on the California Environmental Quality Act, the State Planning and Zoning Law, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the state and federal Endangered Species Acts.

Shari B. Libicki, Ph.D. is the Global Air Quality Practice Area Leader for a Principal at Ramboll Environ Inc. She is an expert on GHG evaluations for CEQA documents, and is at the forefront of developing regulations in California, having served on the Regional Targets Advisory Council.

Adrian Martinez, Staff Attorney at Earthjustice, works on clean air, clean energy and environmental justice issues. Prior to joining Earthjustice, he worked at the Natural Resources Defense Council as a smog and environmental justice attorney.

Michelle Ouellette is a partner at Best Best & Krieger LLP. She helps cities, counties, special districts, developers and other clients in the private sector to navigate the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and state and federal endangered species laws.

David Pettit is Senior Attorney in Natural Resources Defense Council's Southern California Air Program. He has litigated environmental cases in trial and appellate courts at both the state and the federal level, including a number of cases that have changed the way governments regulate air pollution, groundwater pollution, and habitat preservation.

Janice M. Schneider is Global Vice Chair of the Environment, Land & Resources Department at Latham & Watkins LLP. Prior to rejoining Latham, she served as Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management for the US Department of the Interior.

Margaret Moore Sohagi of The Sohagi Law Group PLC represents public agencies in complex, high profile land use and environmental transactional and litigation matters. She currently leads the outside counsel team for all of the Los Angeles World Airport's broad range of land use and environmental issues.

Jillian Wong is Planning and Rules Manager at South Coast Air Quality Management District. She is responsible for Planning and Rules Manager responsible for overseeing CEQA and CEQA/IGR, Socioeconomics, Meteorology and Air Quality Evaluation, and Dispersion Modeling.



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