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***General Session – Monday, June 21***

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Eric Murdock is a partner in the Administrative Law Group with the firm of Hunton & Williams LLP in Washington, D.C. His practice focuses on litigation, administrative process, and compliance counseling in matters involving all major environmental and natural resource regulatory programs. Eric’s practice also involves management of environmental aspects of complex business transactions and major development projects. Representative clients include energy companies, chemical manufacturers, waste management companies, financial service institutions, and developers.

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Prior to joining Hunton & Williams, Eric served as Special Assistant General Counsel to the Secretary of Defense and Assistant to the Army General Counsel from 1985-1989. He is a graduate of Princeton University and received his law degree from the Duke University School of Law.

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Don Baur, a partner in the firm’s Environment, Energy and Resources practice, has over 30 years of experience in environmental and natural resources law.  He served as an attorney in the Office of the Solicitor of the U.S. Department of the Interior and as General Counsel of the U.S. Marine Mammal Commission before joining Perkins Coie in 1987.

Don provides federal-policy-level and project-specific counseling as well as legislative and litigation assistance in a wide range of environmental and natural resources areas, with a special emphasis on water law, wildlife and endangered species, public land and energy resources, protected areas, coastal/ocean law, and Indian law.

Don has negotiated and achieved approval of legal transactions and permits involving: mining; large-scale renewable energy projects; transmission line and pipeline rights-of-way and infrastructure; offshore oil and gas leases; habitat conservation plans and incidental take authorizations under the Endangered Species Act; avian protection plans and compliance under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; marine species conservation plans and permits; water resource project development; tribal/local government intergovernmental agreements for Indian trust lands; federal land exchanges; royalty fee determinations; wetlands project development and mitigation banking; and project development on tribal lands.  Don has successfully defended many of these decisions in litigation.  In addition to permitting and litigation, Don has represented clients in congressional and executive branch deliberations and rulemaking proceedings.

Don is a frequent speaker, instructor and author on environmental and natural resources law topics.  He is lead editor and author of the American Bar Association’s books on *The Endangered Species Act:  Law, Policy, and Perspectives* and *Ocean and Coastal Law and Policy*.  Chambers rated in Environmental Law, he serves on the Environmental Law Institute Leadership Council, has served on the faculty of the Environmental Law Center at the Vermont Law School since 1998, and leads the firm’s Chambers-ranked Native American Law and Policy Group. He serves on the Board of Trustees for the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation and the Shenandoah National Park Trust.

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Sarah has worked on matters involving a number of environmental statutes, including the National Environmental Policy Act, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, National Historic Preservation Act, Endangered Species Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act.

From 2005 to 2008, Sarah worked as an attorney-adviser on the Department of Interior's Board of Land Appeals where she reviewed a variety of appeals from land use decisions made by the Bureau of Land Management, the Minerals Management Service, and the Office of Surface Mining on topics including mining, grazing, oil and gas development, geothermal development, land allotments, and recreational use. After law school, Sarah clerked for the Honorable Procter Hug, Jr., on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

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Sue Snyder is an experienced lawyer and policy advisor, with a demonstrated track record of solving complex environmental, trade, and technology issues, both international and domestic. She concentrates in environmental and water issues for various industries, including oil and gas companies, and has worked on numerous large-scale project developments involving public-private partnerships and coalitions. Sue is a member of V&E’s Hydraulic Fracturing Task Force and the originator of the firm’s Water Blog.

Sue started her career at Vinson & Elkins with a concentration in water and waste matters. Before rejoining the firm in 2012, she served as Executive Legal Counsel and Vice President of International Policy and Relations for a multinational semiconductor company, which has operations in numerous countries, and extensive water and energy procurement programs.

Sue approaches projects with a win-win attitude—looking for creative ways to enhance the goals of all business partners. She has managed large departments, created new departments, taught university-level courses in new areas, chaired numerous industry trade association committees, negotiated international agreements on behalf of industry coalitions, been the first chair of the Austin Chamber International Group, the first chair of the Travis County High Tech Committee, leader of the Austin In-House Counsel Group for many years, a representative at the World Economic Forum, presidential candidate policy advisor, representative on economic development trips for the City of Austin, and a host of the Austin “Ask an Attorney” television show. She also has been involved in numerous nonprofits in the Austin area and is currently president-elect of the Breast Cancer Resource Centers of Texas. Sue has a degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering, is able to view matters from many angles, and enjoys immersing herself in new endeavors.

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David Chung is a counsel in Crowell & Moring's Environment & Natural Resources Group. His practice focuses on litigation and regulatory counseling involving natural resources development and environmental issues. David has experience with matters concerning various environmental and public lands statutes, including the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act, Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Mineral Leasing Act, and National Forest Management Act.

David also has experience in white collar criminal defense, government and internal investigations, and corporate compliance matters. David has represented numerous corporations and individuals in investigative matters involving the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and the U.S. House of Representatives. In particular, David has extensive experience with investigations and in-country compliance reviews involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. David has developed investigative plans, led witness interviews, prepared investigative reports, and managed document collections, reviews, and productions.

During the first half of 2009, David served as a special assistant attorney general with the District of Columbia Office of the Attorney General. In that capacity, David prepared dispositive motions, handled discovery, and negotiated settlements in numerous civil litigation matters. He also obtained jury trial experience in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

David currently serves as a vice-chair (Electronic Communications & Social Media) of the ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (SEER) Water Quality and Wetlands Committee. Previously, he also served as a vice-chair (Committee Liaison to Annual Water Law Conference) of the ABA SEER Water Quality and Wetlands Committee.

David graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 2002, where he earned a B.A. from the Plan II Honors Program. He earned his law degree at the George Washington University Law School in 2005, graduating with honors. While in law school, David served as the senior notes editor of the Public Contract Law Journal.

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He has authored papers for four Energy & Mineral Law Foundation (EMLF) Annual Institutes, has presented topics at other EMLF programs, and has addressed numerous other organizations on topics of interest in his practice areas. Kip has served as counsel in several significant cases under both federal and state environmental statutes, and has most recently been involved in an important case defining the obligations of a state university to disclose data, communications, and peer review materials pertaining to a research professor’s publication of articles addressing alleged adverse health effects of energy production.

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In addition to litigation, Mr. Stonestreet’s practice also focuses on environmental issues facing the energy industry. His experience working with energy companies, both in West Virginia and throughout the region, has enabled him to guide clients through a myriad of challenges in the constantly evolving regulatory framework under federal and state environmental laws. This experience includes assisting clients with compliance issues, multiple environmental due diligence reviews, and litigation in both the administrative and civil arenas.

Mr. Stonestreet graduated from Marshall University, *summa cum laude,* with his B.A. in History in 2000. While attending Marshall he was a member of Phi Alpha Theta and Gamma Beta Phi. Mr. Stonestreet currently serves as the Secretary of the Marshall University Quarterback Club of Charleston. He received his J.D. from West Virginia University College of Law in 2003. While attending WVU, Mr. Stonestreet served as Executive Manuscript Editor of the *West Virginia Law Review*, and later graduated in the top 5% of his class

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Mr. Stonestreet has been ranked in *Chambers USA’s* America’s Leading Business Lawyers in the Natural Resources Law Section. He has been named in *The Best Lawyers of America©* in the Environmental Law Section. He has also been recognized as a West Virginia Super Lawyer.

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His environmental practice over the last 40 years has included a broad range of issues in federal and state courts and before administrative agencies, including CERCLA litigation, Clean Water Act litigation, solid and hazardous waste issues, Clean Air Act litigation, storage tank litigation, wet weather consent orders, court and administrative challenges to regulatory programs, and defense of enforcement actions. His technology practice has included a variety of litigation matters, including major systems implementation disputes, and advising clients on a number of technology law issues such as hardware, software, and cloud services agreements, information security, privacy regulations, information governance, e-discovery, and electronic contracting. He has regularly represented energy companies.

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***Coal Track – Tuesday, June 23***

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Currently, David is a past President of the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation (“EMLF”), a permanent member of the Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference, a member of the Employment Law Committee of the West Virginia State Bar, and a member of the Employment Law Section of the American Bar Association. In 2012, he received the McClaugherty Award from the EMLF.

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Miranda represents clients in energy, mineral and chemical processing, commercial fishing, local government, agribusiness, construction materials, education and a variety of other regulated sectors.

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He is an Associate Board Member of the Kentucky Coal Association and serves on the safety committees of the Kentucky and West Virginia Coal Associations and the National Mining Association. Mr. Heath is also a Trustee of the Energy and Mineral Law Foundation and has served as Secretary, Treasurer and a member of the Executive Committee for the Foundation. He has been a frequent speaker at EMLF programs on Mine Safety Law, Annual Institutes and the fall Mineral Law Conference. He is also active in the American Bar Association, Occupational Safety and Health Law Committee, Section of Labor and Employment Law, and has moderated panel discussions and spoken at Midwinter Meetings.

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