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Laura A. Rideout

Associate

Laura A. Rideout practices from Preti Flaherty's Portland office, where she focuses on environmental law. Her experience includes assisting clients with management and decision making related to contaminated sediment sites and remedial action. She serves as lead associate on complex environmental matters, including a RCRA citizen suit involving contamination in the largest estuary in New England as well as toxic tort litigation involving exposure to contaminants. Laura has comprehensive knowledge of state and federal environmental statutes, regulations, and guidance documents, and extensive experience working with experts and consultants in the fields of fate and transport, risk assessment, and remediation engineering. She also assists clients with land use and permitting matters, including environmental permit transfers and due diligence.

In addition to her environmental focus, Laura has a breadth of experience with other litigation matters. She is experienced in taking and defending depositions, working with experts, assisting with case strategy and development, interfacing with clients, and preparing cases for trial.

Laura obtained her undergraduate degree, with honors, at the University of California, Davis. She earned her law degree, cum laude, from the University of Maine School of Law and has practiced at Preti Flaherty since graduation. While in law school, Laura worked at the United States Attorney's Office in the Appellate Division, served as Executive Editor of the Ocean and Coastal Law Journal, and competed in the Duberstein Moot Court Competition.

Laura resides in the Portland area with her husband, baby son, and black lab.

Practice Areas

- Environmental
- Environmental Litigation
- Land Use & Permitting
- Stormwater

Education

- University of Maine School of Law (J.D.)
- University of California Davis (B.A.)

Admissions

- Maine
- Massachusetts
- . U.S. District Court, District of Maine
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Professional Affiliations

- Maine State Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Environmental & Energy Technology Council of Maine (E2Tech)
- Maine Real Estate Development Association

Honors & Awards

- 2016 Super Lawyers Rising Star in Environmental Law
- 2017 Super Lawyers Rising Star in Environmental Law

Civic Involvement

Portland Museum of Art Contemporaries, Member

Publications

February 12, 2018

Environmental Alert: EPA Enforcement Year in Review 2017

Environmental Alert

February 9, 2018

Environmental Alert: EPA Bumps Up Civil Penalties

Environmental Alert

December 5, 2017

Environmental Alert: Upcoming Maine VRAP Application Fee Increase

Environmental Alert

March 16, 2017

Environmental Alert: EPA and OSHA Civil Penalty Limits Increase for 2017

Environmental Alert

December 27, 2016

Environmental Alert: 2016 OSHA Year in Review

Environmental Alert

March 15, 2016

Time Does Not Run Against the King — But What About The Prince? When Municipalities Can Assert Nullum Tempus

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