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Kyle Woosley has more than 30 years of experience counseling businesses and individuals on a wide range of environmental issues, including permitting, environmental liabilities and protections, allocation of environmental risk by contract, and buying and selling contaminated property.

MY PRACTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Kyle provides counsel on a variety of federal and state environmental law issues, including Superfund, groundwater, permitting, NEPA and SEPA review, civil penalty, and underground storage tank laws. Kyle has authored a manual to aid financial institutions in identifying and managing environmental risk, and he served four years as co-editor of "Environmental News," the newsletter of the [Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Law Section of the North Carolina Bar Association](#).

TRANSACTIONAL

Kyle has extensive experience representing buyers and sellers of contaminated properties. He regularly advises individuals and businesses engaged in transactions that involve contaminated properties, including allocating

PRACTICE AREAS

Environmental

INDUSTRIES

Agribusiness
Banking, Investment & Financial Services
Construction & Development
Hospitality
Insurance
Real Estate

EDUCATION

Stanford University
J.D., 1980
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
B.A., 1976

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

North Carolina

environmental risk in contracts, pre-purchase due diligence, ASTM standards, purchaser defenses to environmental liability, and seeking liability protection through the North Carolina brownfields program. He also advises financial institutions on risks of and options for financing the purchase of contaminated properties.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Kyle advises owners and operators of commercial and residential underground storage tanks on how to manage environmental risks associated with underground tanks. He also advises clients seeking reimbursement from the state trust fund for expenses associated with the cleanup of a release.

HONORS

Selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Environmental Law and Environmental Litigation (2012-2020); Greensboro "Lawyer of the Year" for Environmental Litigation (2016 & 2018); Greensboro "Lawyer of the Year" for Environmental Law (2017)

Recognized by his peers for inclusion in *Business North Carolina's* "[Legal Elite](#)" in Environmental Law (2010-2013)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Member, Environmental Law Section Council, [North Carolina Bar Association](#) (2000-03)

Member, [Section of Environment, Energy and Resources](#), [American Bar Association](#) (2000-present)

Member, Section of Administrative Law, American Bar Association (2000-present)

Advisory Council, [Legal Aid of North Carolina](#), Greensboro office (2002-present)

Board Member, [Legal Aid of North Carolina](#) (2007-2012), and Chair of the Audit Committee (2010-present)

PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA

Recent Changes to the North Carolina Groundwater Rules Environmental News, 1994

Environmental Management: A Manual for Community Financial Institutions 1996

Environmental Law Update: Uncertainty about the time limit for filing a groundwater contamination claim in North Carolina, November 5, 2014

Joint News Release from Brooks Pierce, Legal Aid of North Carolina and Mary's House, July 30, 2014

Greensboro program for homeless mothers and children recovers significant back-funding in settlement of lawsuit against state [Read more](#)

Law of the Little: Federal Court Sends Conditional Registrations of Nanosilver Pesticides Back to EPA, December 1, 2013

2013 North Carolina Environmental Legislation Summary, August 1, 2013

Woosley's Guest Column in Triad Business Journal: "How to Buy (or Not Buy) Contaminated Property" , May 2, 2010

Frye, Johnson and Woosley Receive Power of Justice Awards, May 5, 2008