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Sherry E. Jackman is a senior associate in Greenberg Glusker's Environmental Practice Group. Her practice focuses on environmental litigation and compliance counseling.

Sherry's professional expertise specifically includes:

- counseling clients regarding federal and state environmental statutes and regulations, including CERCLA, RCRA, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, CEQA, Proposition 65, California Hazardous Waste Control Law, and the Endangered Species Act;
- representing clients in state and federal litigation and administrative enforcement proceedings;
- counseling clients with respect to land use entitlements and permitting;
- working with clients to achieve regulatory closure at impacted sites overseen by EPA, DTSC, the Water Boards, and CUPAs; and
- assisting clients in connection with the purchase and/or sale of contaminated real estate.

Sherry's entire legal career has centered upon environmental law and litigation. She has earned significant accolades in her field—including for the past three years being named a "Super Lawyers Rising Star," a distinction awarded to no more than 2.5% of California lawyers.

Sherry's environmental litigation experience is broad and varied. She has represented clients as both plaintiff and defendant in all stages of litigation. She has prepared for a half dozen trials in state and federal court. She has participated in a significant number of mediations that led to complete case resolution. She works with companies on complicated compliance and regulatory issues.

Sherry's educational background as a JD/MBA provides her with a unique perspective—she is focused on how business and the law intersect. She is sensitive to how a company's legal matters impact its bottom line—emphasizing how to save clients time and money. She is well versed in finance, managerial modeling, investment strategy, and damages assessment, and how those relate to a company's legal matters. She is creative in how she tackles problems, seeking the most efficient outcomes.

Outside of work, Sherry focuses her time on four passion projects: (1) serving on the Board of Directors of the Coalition for Clean Air, a nonprofit organization founded in 1971; (2) participating in the Executive Committee of the Environment Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association; (3) serving as a Vice President of Anderson Women, an affinity group of UCLA Anderson School of Management; and (4) from time to time, co-teaching the highly popular “Deposition Strategies and Techniques” class at the USC School Gould School of Law.

Prior to becoming a lawyer, Sherry avidly participated in competitive ballroom, Latin, and swing dance, regularly competing at the International Grand Ball, City Lights Ball, and Emerald Ball.

Professional Affiliations

- Board of Directors, [Coalition for Clean Air](#)
- Vice President, Velocity Co-Chair, Anderson Women of the UCLA Anderson Alumni Network
- Executive Committee Member, Environmental Law Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Member, California State Bar Environmental Law Section

Awards

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, 2021
- Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Stars – Environmental Litigation – 2017-2020

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Central and Northern Districts of California

Education

- University of California, Los Angeles School of Law (J.D., 2010)
 - Moot Court Honors Program
- UCLA Anderson School of Management (M.B.A., 2010)
 - Anderson Merit Fellowship
- University of California, Davis (B.S., 2005)
 - Managerial Economics
 - Regents Scholarship; Department Citation; High Honors

Representative Matters

- Representing a Fortune 500 company in CERCLA / HSAA cost recovery matters

- Representing a variety of companies with respect to site investigation and remediation of contamination (soil, groundwater, indoor air, etc.)
- Providing compliance counseling regarding regulation of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes under state and federal laws and regulations
- Conducting environmental due diligence in connection with the purchase and sale of contaminated real estate and providing advice regarding nature and extent of potential liabilities
- Preparing complex damage models, calculations, and litigation simulations to inform settlement strategy
- Working closely with retained experts and consultants with respect to site investigation and remediation efforts
- Representing international oil company in federal multi-party litigation involving claims of leaking pipelines
- Representing clients at a number of federal Superfund Sites, including the San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, Omega Superfund Site, and Casmalia Resources Superfund Site
- Representing property owner in opposition to proposed redevelopment project undergoing environmental review under CEQA
- Representing potentially responsible parties with respect to all aspects of site cleanups, site closures, facility inspections, and enforcement actions
- Representing various clients with respect to underground storage tank issues and claims
- Represented several related companies in a 2,000+ plaintiff toxic tort litigation involving alleged exposure to hazardous substances in air, surface water, and groundwater
- Represented semiconductor manufacturer and related entity in two litigation matters involving allegations of in utero exposure to clean room chemicals
- Represented a Fortune 500 company in contract dispute relating to responsibility for environmental cleanup
- Provided hazardous waste compliance advice to chemical manufacturer with multi-state operations
- Represented a Fortune 500 company in a Clean Water Act / SPCC enforcement matter
- Represented manufacturing facility in Clean Water Act citizen stormwater lawsuit
- Defended international manufacturer in litigation involving Proposition 65, CLRA, and UCL claims in California State Court, resulting in dismissal of case without leave to amend
- Represented private individual in enforcement action with respect to land use and entitlement issues
- Represented utility company in matter involving a cleanup and abatement order issued by water board
- Represented real estate developer in efforts to secure environmental permits
- Conducted land use due diligence in connection with acquisition of large portfolio of U.S. properties
- Represented schools, churches and a museum/library pro bono in a number of land use / entitlement matters

Insights

August 20, 2020

36 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named to 2021 Best Lawyers® List

June 9, 2020

12 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Selected for Super Lawyers Rising Stars

June 6, 2019

12 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Selected for Super Lawyers Rising Stars

June 29, 2018

WARNING: New Proposition 65 Requirements Effective August 30, 2018

Greenberg Glusker Client Alert

June 7, 2018

14 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named Super Lawyers Rising Stars

July 29, 2014

EPA is Holding Flare Users' Feet To The Fire

Law 360

March 6, 2013

Bill To Create Environmental Court Lacks Specificity

San Francisco Daily Journal

May 16, 2012

The Future is Now (Or Is It?): Choosing the 'Baseline' and Minimizing Related Litigation Risk Under CEQA

San Francisco Daily Journal

November 2, 2011

Kickstarting California Construction Projects

Law 360

July 1, 2009

Offshore Wind Farms and Ocean Zoning as a Means to Meet U.S. Clean Energy Goals, Planning & Law

American Planning Association

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August 6, 2019

SF Regional Board attempts to clarify vapor intrusion approach

The San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board recently issued a fact sheet summarizing changes to its approach to remediating environmental impacts and mitigating vapor intrusion (VI) at properties impacted with volatile organic compounds (VOCs). This follows a January...

April 29, 2019

Even Your Parking Structure Violates Prop 65

The Prop 65 “Clear and Reasonable Warnings” updates that became effective in August 2018 contain lots of traps for the unwary, including one that you might not have noticed: tailored Prop 65 warnings are required at each of the public...

April 13, 2017

RCRA Update: New Hazardous Waste Generator Rule Goes Into Effect in May 2017

EPA’s final Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule (“Rule”), which goes into effect on May 30, 2017, contains approximately 60 revisions to the hazardous waste generator regulatory program. The revisions focus on improving efficiency, and compliance for hazardous waste generators—which...

May 31, 2016

U.S. EPA’s Proposed Rule Would Modernize NPDES Regulations

Earlier this month, the United States EPA proposed a rule (“Proposed Rule”) that would update and revise National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) regulations. Rather than reopening the existing NPDES regulations for comprehensive revision, the Proposed Rule would make...

March 9, 2016

In the Heart of the Rainy Season: The New (Stayed) Clean Water Rule Covers Vernal Pools in California

After years of drought, the El Niño storms have been bringing much-needed rain and snow to California—albeit in quantities significantly less than we hoped for thus far. In addition to the anticipated snowpacks, flowing rivers, and replenished reservoirs, the...

February 29, 2016

Proposed Rule Adding Vapor Intrusion Component to Hazard Ranking System Published in the Federal Register Today

Today the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published a proposed rule in the Federal Register which would add a vapor intrusion component to the Hazard Ranking System, the system EPA uses to evaluate sites for placement on the National Priorities...

February 10, 2016

Proposed Rule Adding Vapor Intrusion Component to Hazard Ranking System Will Likely Appear in Federal Register This Month

A proposed rule that would add a vapor intrusion component to the Hazard Ranking System (“HRS”), the primary screening tool for the CERCLA National Priorities List (“NPL”), is scheduled for publication in the Federal Register this month. NPL listing...

September 25, 2015

Required Action on the Horizon for California Consumer Products Companies

Yesterday, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (“DTSC”) released its draft Stage 1 Alternatives Analysis Guide (“Guide”) under the California Safer Consumer Products program. Public comments are being accepted on the Guide through October 24, 2015, and DTSC is specifically asking commenters to “provide the...

August 24, 2015

State Water Board Approves Composting General Order

Earlier this month, the California State Water Quality Control Board (“State Water Board”) approved a General Order for Waste Discharge Requirements (“WDRs”) for composting operations, which will streamline and standardize permitting processes and regulate water quality at new and...

July 10, 2015

EPA Must Consider Costs in Deciding Whether to Regulate HAPs From Power Plants

Last week, in *Michigan v. EPA*, the U.S. Supreme Court held that it was unreasonable for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) to refuse to consider costs in connection with its finding that it was “appropriate and necessary”...