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EXPERTISE

Environmental Law, Natural Resources, Environmental Litigation, Energy Industry, and Safety and Health

EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, J.D., *Order of St. Ives*, 1989

Dickinson College, B.A., 1984

ADMITTED IN

Colorado

Laura Riese is a partner in the Natural Resources, Energy Industry, Environmental Law, and Safety & Health Groups of Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP. She has 25 years of experience working in the field of regulatory compliance and has worked on numerous CERCLA, NEPA, RCRA, CWA, CAA, ESA, MBTA, OSHA, and MSHA issues for clients throughout the country. She has worked on numerous major projects including refinery permitting and acquisitions, permitting of cogeneration facilities, wind project permitting, cleanup of contaminated mine sites, onshore and offshore oil development, and hydraulic fracturing rulemakings. Ms. Riese leads and manages national and international incident investigation and audit teams and has worked on high-profile matters such as the Deepwater Horizon incident and the Pinal Creek mining site in Miami-Globe, Arizona. She is also an expert in process safety management and risk management plans.

Ms. Riese has earned an AV[®] Preeminent[™] Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell, and is a fellow of the Colorado Bar Foundation. She served on the faculty of the University of Denver's Environmental Policy and Management Program for 10 years. She has also served on the Executive Committee of DGS and is the recipient of the University of Denver's Excellence in Environmental Education award. Ms. Riese also has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America[®] in the field of Environmental Law.

Ms. Riese is a frequently invited speaker and recognized expert on environmental and health and safety topics and has presented internal seminars for clients on issues such as onshore and offshore mineral and resources development and emerging issues in the energy industry. Ms. Riese is a graduate of the Colorado Leadership Forum

and the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry's "50 for Colorado Program."

Ms. Riese has made numerous presentations on a breadth of environmental and regulatory topics including to the following organizations:

- National Enforcement Training Institute
- Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Institute
- Environmental Protection Agency - Region VIII
- Colorado Bar Association - Annual Convention
- Denver Bar Association
- Colorado Oil and Gas Association
- National Oil Recyclers Association
- Solid Waste Association of North America
- Colorado Hazardous Waste Management Society
- Rocky Mountain Association of Environmental Professionals

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- "Reopening Colorado – New COVID-19 Personal Protective Gear Rules," DGS Legal Alert (May 8, 2020)
- "You Can Cry Over Excess Milk – But Don't Dump It," DGS Legal Alert (April 27, 2020)
- "COVID-19 Pandemic Shelter-in-Place Update with a Colorado & Denver Twist," DGS Legal Alert (March 23, 2020)
- "COVID-19 Pandemic Update on Preparing for Shelter In Place," DGS Legal Alert (March 19, 2020)