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ENVIRONMENTAL

Ruden McClosky's Environmental Law Practice has witnessed an ever increasing emphasis on environmental concerns paralleling Florida's rapid population growth and the emergence of new laws and regulations. As highly experienced practitioners in this specialized area of law, our attorneys and legislative consultants have participated in the development of state and local environmental legislation, ordinances and regulations.

Among the clients we serve are real estate owners, buyers and sellers, real estate developers, syndicators, financial institutions, corporations, insurance companies, governmental agencies and other entities.

The Benefits of a Full-Service Law Firm

The experience of our environmental attorneys combined with the capabilities of our attorneys throughout the firm's broad range of practice areas, enable us to offer our clients comprehensive legal representation in Florida.

The Environmental Law Practice involves counseling, permitting and compliance, regulatory representation and litigation, and encompasses:

- Permitting, Compliance and Enforcement Defense
- Environmentally Sensitive Lands and Land Acquisition
- Environmental Assessments and Audits
- Green Building and LEED Certification
- Hazardous and Solid Waste Materials Permitting and Enforcement Regulation
- Underground Storage Tanks and Petroleum Contamination and Reimbursement
- Air and Water Pollution
- Brownfields, CECLA (Superfund) and Community Right-to-Know
- Agricultural Lands
- Toxic Tort Litigation
- Water Use and Management
- Coastal Construction
- Wetlands Jurisdiction Protection and Mitigation

Regulatory Representation

Ruden McClosky's environmental lawyers represent clients before the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the five State of Florida water management districts as well as regional and local government environmental agencies in permitting and enforcement proceedings. We also represent clients before the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other environmental agencies.

Litigation

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Our litigation attorneys counsel clients on potential environmental liability arising from ownership or transfer of contaminated real property, on rulemaking proceedings before the legislature regarding environmental legislation, and we provide representation for clients in complex environmental litigation matters including toxic tort litigation.