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Overview

Clay is a partner in the Lexington office. Recognized in the fields of Environmental and Energy & Natural Resources Law by Chambers and *Super Lawyers* magazine, Clay has devoted a significant amount of his practice to representation of energy clients in the coal, oil and gas and electricity generation industries.

Clay also regularly represents clients in environmental litigation and compliance counseling matters under SMCRA, the Clean Water Act and other environmental statutes, and also has experience in general litigation and transactional matters in the energy and natural resources field.

Recognition

News

- 20 Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Attorneys Receive Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2018
- Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Continues Growth Welcoming Three New Attorneys
- Twenty Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Attorneys Recognized in Chambers USA 2019

Honors and Awards

- Selected as an *Up and Coming* attorney in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, 2018-2019
- Recognized as one of the "Kentucky Rising Stars" in the *Kentucky Super Lawyers®* list, 2013-2017
- Outstanding Oral Argument, Harlan Legal Writing Club
- Order of the Coif
- CALI Award, State and Local Government Law

- Moot Court Board
- National Moot Court Team

Insights

- Author, "Environmental Permit Due Diligence for Coal Transactions," 35 Energy & Min. L. Inst. 15 (2014)
- Co-Author, "Distressed Asset Disposition: Selling Encumbered Mineral Properties," 34 Energy & Min. L. Inst. 11 (2013)
- Author, "Understanding Unconventional Easements and Rights of Entry," 33 Energy & Min. L. Inst. 15 (2012)
- Co-Author, "Consent Provisions in Natural Resources Agreements," 30 Energy & Min. L. Inst. Ch. 3 (2009)
- Co-Author, "Carbon Tax Bill Passes House, Heads to Senate," Kentucky Association of Manufacturers' The Goods, July 2009
- Co-Author, "A Hard Job Getting Harder: Mining in Environmentally-Sensitive Lands," Mining Environmental Management, July 2008
- Note, The "Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act:" Immunity for the Firearm Industry is a (Constitutional) Bulls-Eye," 95 Kentucky Law Journal 187 (2006-2007)
- Contributing Author, Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Environmental Letter, 2009-present
- Contributing Author, Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Air Quality Letter, 2007-present

Activities and Affiliations

- Kentucky Bar Association
- Kentucky Coal Association
- Federalist Society
- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation

Presentations

- Presenter, "Clean Water Act Jurisdiction Update," 16th Annual Kentucky Environmental Conference , Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Lexington, KY, March 8, 2018
- Testimony, United States Senate, Environment and Public Works Committee, "The Stream Protection Rule: Impacts and Implications for Endangered Species Act and Clean Water Act Implementation," February 3, 2016
- Presenter, "Federal Environmental and Energy Regulations - SMCRA," 40th Annual Governor's Conference on Energy and the Environment, September 22, 2016
- Panelist, "When Worlds Collide: The Increasing Interaction Between the Endangered Species Act and Clean Water Act," ALI-CLE Course on Clean Water Law and Regulation, May 19, 2016
- Presenter, "Understanding Unconventional Easements and Rights of Entry," 33rd Annual Energy & Mineral Law Institute, June 26, 2012
- Presenter, "Clean Water Act Jurisdictional Guidance - Impact on Permitting and Other Issues," Kentucky Chamber of Commerce 15th Annual Permitting and Reporting Conference, 2012
- Presenter, "Natural Resources Regulatory Update," Kentucky Bar Association 2nd Annual Kentucky

Environmental Law CLE Seminar, April 10, 2012

- Keynote Speaker, "Civil and Criminal Enforcement Trends," Kentucky Chamber of Commerce 11th Annual Kentucky Environmental Conference, March 6, 2013
- Presenter, "Alphabet Soup? A Primer on Environmental Law," Kentucky Bar Association 2012 Kentucky Law Update
- Presenter, "Carbon Sequestration - Legal Concerns," Kentucky Chamber of Commerce 8th Annual Environmental Conference, February 23, 2009
- Presenter, "Permit Litigation Update," 11th Annual Kentucky Environmental Permitting and Reporting Conference, September 2008

Memberships

- Senior Policy Advisor, Secretary and Board Member, Kentucky Coal Association
- Trustee, Executive Committee Member, Energy and Mineral Law Foundation
- Secretary and Member of Executive Committee, Fayette County Local Emergency Planning Committee, 2009-Present

Prior and Present Employment

- Dinsmore & Shohl LLP
- Kentucky Law Journal

Areas of focus

Practices

- Environment and Natural Resources
- Environmental Regulation
- Environmental Permitting

Industry sectors

- Energy

Education

- University of Kentucky College of Law, 2007, JD, *Order of the Coif*
- Western Kentucky University, 2004, BA, Political Science

Admissions and qualifications

- Kentucky
- US Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- US District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky

- US District Court for the Western District of Kentucky