

Meghan Magruder Appointed Chair of ABA Environmental Law

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WASHINGTON D.C. - September 27, 2001 - Hale and Dorr LLP is pleased to announce that Meghan Magruder, a partner in the Washington, D.C. office, has been appointed as chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Standing Committee on Environmental Law (SCEL), a committee which addresses long-term legal issues in environmental law and facilitates and develops ABA policy in this area.

As chair, Ms. Magruder will spearhead meetings to identify key strategic areas for potential development of ABA policy, including energy policy, international trade, environmental consequences of armed conflict, sustainable development, policy work in the area of clean air and clean water laws and regulations, and environmental impacts of development on Native American Indian lands. "Meghan's contributions to the Standing Committee during her tenure have been nothing short of extraordinary and her appointment is well deserved," said Robert Rhodes of Holland & Knight LLP, former chair of the Standing Committee.

Prior to this appointment, Ms. Magruder served as liaison to the SCEL on behalf of the ABA Section of Litigation. As liaison, she organized a task force to develop Brownfields policy for the ABA, which was successfully passed, and more recently organized a Colloquium on the Environmental Consequences of Armed Conflict .

"I look forward to continuing the excellent work of the Committee as we keep the ABA engaged in the dialogue concerning emerging environmental issues," said Ms. Magruder.