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Top Skills

Leadership

Executive Management

Civil Litigation

Languages

English

Honors-Awards

DOJ Assistant Attorney General Award (Deepwater Horizon Team)

DOJ Assistant Attorney General Award for Excellence (Diversity Team)

DOJ Special Achievement Award (Kentucky Utilities)

Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School Edward P. Bullard Alumnus Award

EPA Gold Medal for Exceptional Service (IBP)

Jeffrey Prieto

General Counsel at US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Los Angeles, California, United States

Experience

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
General Counsel
November 2021 - Present (2 years)
Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Los Angeles Community College District
General Counsel
September 2017 - November 2021 (4 years 3 months)
Greater Los Angeles Area

Jeffrey M. Prieto served as the chief legal officer and advisor to the Board of Trustees, Chancellor, Personnel Commission, and senior management; provided executive leadership over all District strategic and tactical legal initiatives, programs, and services; and managed the work of the District's internal legal team and contracted external counsels, including bond construction counsel.

USDA
2 years 8 months
General Counsel
August 2015 - January 2017 (1 year 6 months)
Washington D.C. Metro Area

Jeffrey M. Prieto was appointed by President Obama and confirmed by the Senate to serve as the General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture in July, 2015. As chief legal counsel, General Counsel Prieto was responsible for providing legal advice and services to the Secretary of Agriculture and to all other senior officials and agencies with respect to all USDA programs, operations, and activities.

General Counsel Prieto supervised a staff consisting of approximately 270 employees, located in five headquarters divisions in Washington, DC, four regional offices, and eight branch offices across the country. The Office of the General Counsel (OGC) supports USDA's efforts to help rural America thrive, reduce hunger in the U.S. and abroad, promote agricultural production,

and preserve our Nation's natural resources by providing proactive, accurate, creative and prompt legal services.

Acting General Counsel
November 2014 - August 2015 (10 months)
Washington, DC

Principal Deputy General Counsel
June 2014 - October 2014 (5 months)
1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250

Shared the responsibility for all legal work of USDA, including legal advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and members of the Secretary's staff, the Deputy Secretary, Under and Assistant Secretaries, the heads of agencies of the Department, and officials of other governmental agencies interested in or affected by the programs of the Department.

USDOJ, ENRD
Deputy Executive Officer/General Counsel
November 2012 - June 2014 (1 year 8 months)
601 D Street, NW. Washington, DC 20004

Served as the legal advisor to the Executive Officer, Deputy Assistant Attorneys General, and the Assistant Attorney General on matters related to contract and procurement law, appropriations law, employee and labor relations matters, and legal training. Under the direction of the Executive Officer, provided executive policy and management guidance to the Executive Office's organizational groups.

U.S. Department of Justice, Environment & Natural Resources
Division
Counsel

February 2010 - November 2012 (2 years 10 months)

Represented the Office of the Assistant Attorney General in working with Division personnel to implement policies and initiatives, including environmental justice and diversity management matters. Specific duties included serving as a liaison to the Division's Law and Policy Section and Land Acquisition Section in order to provide management and oversight. Served as part of the Deepwater Horizon Phase Two trial team, including working with Agency counsel to prepare senior officials for testimony.

U.S. Department of Justice

Trial Attorney

August 1999 - February 2010 (10 years 7 months)

Served as an attorney responsible for conducting affirmative civil litigation to control and abate pollution, primarily through enforcement of federal statutes, including those which regulate discharges into the nation's air and water. The statutes enforced by the Division include the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, and Resources Conservation and Recovery Act, among others.

Education

Princeton School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University

Master's of Public Affairs/Urban and Regional Planning · (1995 - 1997)

University of California, Los Angeles

Doctor of Law (J.D.) · (1992 - 1995)