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Top Skills

Public Policy
Environmental Law
Legal Research

Publications

Environmental Deconfliction 2019
The Groundwater Conduit Theory: Expanding the Scope of the CWA?
Environmental Deconfliction: The National Defense Authorization Act For Fiscal Year 2018 and Its Implications for Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources
Congress' Overlooked Environmental Legislation
War against wildfires a new priority for House Armed Services Committee?

Rachel Jacobson

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Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Summary

Rachel Jacobson worked for over 20 years in the federal government, holding senior positions at the US Department of Defense (DoD), Department of the Interior (DOI) and Department of Justice (DOJ). Prior to joining WilmerHale, Rachel served as the Pentagon's top environmental lawyer in the position of Deputy General Counsel for Environment, Energy and Installations. During her tenure at DOI, Rachel served from 2009-2011 as Principal Deputy Solicitor and from 2011-2014 as Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, where she oversaw DOI's role in ecosystem restoration of the Gulf of Mexico, the Great Lakes and the Everglades. As a supervisor and litigator in DOJ's Environment and Natural Resources Division, Rachel was at the forefront of some of the largest environmental cases in US history. Rachel also held a senior position at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Rachel began her legal career as an Honors Attorney in DOJ's Civil Division.

Experience

United States Department of Defense

Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations Energy and Environment

April 2022 - Present (1 year 5 months)

United States

WilmerHale

Special Counsel

January 2017 - April 2022 (5 years 4 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

United States Department of Defense

Deputy General Counsel for Environment, Energy, and Installations

August 2014 - December 2016 (2 years 5 months)

DC Area

U.S. Department of the Interior

5 years 3 months

Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks (acting)

May 2011 - August 2014 (3 years 4 months)

Principal Deputy Solicitor

June 2009 - May 2011 (2 years)

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Director, Impact Directed Environmental Accounts

February 2008 - June 2009 (1 year 5 months)

U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources

Division

Senior Attorney

1990 - 2008 (18 years)
