**Andrea Gelfuso Goetz**

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Results-driven environmental litigator with outstanding skills in regulatory and scientific analysis, negotiation, collaboration, and public speaking.

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW EXPERIENCE**

**Beyond Pesticides, 2020**

* Collaborated with the City of Boulder, drafted legislation to provide local governments with the authority to regulate the use and application of pesticides in their communities.

**Local Counsel, Sierra Club I-70 Clean Air Act Litigation, 2017-2018**

* Worked with a team of attorneys on challenge to Federal Highway Administration Record of Decision approving I-70 Project based on the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the transportation conformity provisions of the Clean Air Act (CAA).
* Reviewed 183,000-page Administrative Record for NEPA, air quality and transportation planning data, analysis, and guidance to draft seven CAA claims critical to the litigation.

# Assistant Attorney General, Natural Resources Section, Environmental Quality Unit, Colorado Department of Law, 2011-2013

* Advised the Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) on air quality related matters, including regulation of stationary and mobile sources of air pollution, asbestos, and backsliding under the CAA.
* Successfully litigated a Public Trust Doctrine challenge to State regulation of GHGs. Negotiated an enforcement action against one of the largest molybdenum mines in the world.
* Proposed revisions to the Southern Ute Tribe Intergovernmental Agreement regarding conflicts of interest and air quality regulation of energy development on Tribal lands.
* Represented the Air Quality Control Commission at public hearings on Stationary Source permit applications and contested rulemakings.
* Advised the Commission on air quality regulations and rulemaking, conflicts of interest, and compliance with the Colorado Open Meetings Law.
* Revised the Commission’s Procedural Rules to streamline and clarify the AQCC hearings process.

# Staff Attorney, Natural Resources Section, United States Department of Interior, Office of the Solicitor, Rocky Mountain Region, Denver, Colorado, 1996-2008

**Litigation:**

* Practice focused on energy development, including oil and gas, coal bed methane, and power lines, on BLM and adjacent Forest Service lands.
* Litigated dozens of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) energy cases before the Interior Board of Land Appeals; won every case.

**Advisory Matters:**

* Advised Interior agencies including the BLM and the National Park Service on energy development issues arising under major Federal environmental statutes including the CAA.
* Reviewed dozens of programmatic and site-specific Environmental Impact Statements on major oil and gas projects, pipelines, and windfarms.

**Negotiation:**

* Created and negotiated multi-party agreements with county and municipal governments involving oil and gas development, hazardous waste cleanup, carbon sequestration, water-quality monitoring, and biofuels.
* Negotiated with CDPHE and EPA regarding fines for hazardous waste releases under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and the Underground Storage Tank Act; saved clients hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines.
* Negotiated with local water providers under the Clean Water Act (CWA) to reduce penalties by over $50,000 in a single case.

# Staff Attorney, General Law Section, 1993-1996

* Successfully litigated over 60 employment cases before the Merit Systems Protection Board and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission: lost only one case.
* Drafted settlement agreements and participated in mediation to resolve cases on terms favorable to federal agencies.

# Staff Attorney, United States Department of Interior, Office of the Solicitor, Northeast Region, Boston, Massachusetts, 1992-1993

* Completed more than fifty title applications for Federal land acquisition for National Parks, National Wildlife Refuges and the Appalachian Trail.
* Aggressively litigated personnel cases; won every case on motions for summary judgment.
* Negotiated dozens of civil penalties under the ESA.

**FEDERAL AGENCY EXPERIENCE**

**Environmental Protection Agency, Lead, Pesticides & Children’s Health Unit, 2018-2019**

* Worked with the regulated community to protect children’s health through prevention of lead exposure from housing renovation that disturbs lead-based paint.
* Revised EPA’s, Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (RRP) website, guidance documents, and accreditation procedures.
* Streamlined review procedures to reduce review response time by 53%.

# EVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY

**City of Lakewood Advisory Commission Sustainability Committee, 2018-present**

* Created an Excel spreadsheet of municipal energy efficiency ordinances to provide Lakewood City Council options for reduction of GHGs from new and renovated commercial, industrial and residential buildings.
  + - * Proposed an anti-idling campaign for the City of Lakewood.
      * Persuaded the National Energy Renewable Laboratory to work with Lakewood on an anti-idling pilot program to reduce idling from City vehicles.
      * Served on a Sturm College of Law Environmental Justice Panel regarding the impacts of the I-70 expansion on sacrificed communities.
* Working with Jefferson County School District on a student-led anti-idling campaign.
* Testified before EPA, the Colorado Legislature, the Jefferson County Commissioners, and Lakewood City Council on issues including the Clean Power Plan, air quality, pesticides, climate change mitigation, re-zoning of open space, and the Colorado Open Meetings Law.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**University of Tulsa College of Law, Master of Jurisprudence in Energy Law Program, 2015-present**

* Courses:Natural Resources Law, Energy Law Thesis Development, Energy Law Thesis

**University of Bologna School of Law, December 2017**

* A Comparison of Civil and Criminal Provisions of U.S. and Italian Environmental Law

# University of Denver, Department of Geography, 1999-2016

* Courses: Introduction to Environmental Law, Applications of Environmental Law, Sustainability, and Applied Environmental Law
* Received the Ruth Murray Underhill Teaching Award for excellence in teaching.

**BAR ADMISSION**

* U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado 2017
* Colorado Bar 1990

**EDUCATION**

* Sturm College of Law, J.D.
* University of Denver, Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Science