



Sustainability & ESG

Environmental, social, and governance (ESG) issues are not new. Successful businesses have always taken their role as responsible corporate citizens seriously, and the resulting legacy of corporate generosity, philanthropy, and volunteerism has been impactful. Yet, in the past, attention to environmental, social, and governance considerations above and beyond legal and regulatory compliance was primarily considered voluntary. And, while businesses have always faced stakeholder pressures, those pressures have ramped up and increasingly involve competing—even contradictory—goals and demands from various stakeholders or factions within stakeholder groups. Added to that is an evolving and potentially patchwork legal framework addressing ESG considerations at the federal and state levels.

For more than 80 years, Hinshaw has advised and represented companies on environmental, social, and governance matters. Hinshaw draws upon its experience and the talents of its skilled transactional, regulatory, and litigation lawyers and advisors to help clients respond to the increasing stakeholder pressures and develop ESG strategies that dial down ESG risk and dial up ESG opportunity.

We assist our clients in key ways, including board counseling, risk assessments, regulatory compliance, employment guidance, and representation in enforcement actions and litigation.

Our Team

ESG issues are interdisciplinary issues, and our team reflects this. We bring together experience across various sectors, from environmental, insurance, corporate governance, and privacy to product liability, labor and employment, and consumer financial services.

Our team includes former State Attorneys General, a former United States Attorney, former Assistant United States Attorneys, former State District Attorneys, an SEC Enforcement attorney, a former General Counsel to an SEC registered money manager and broker-dealer, and attorneys with in-house counsel experience.

The team works together to ensure our clients benefit from coordinated and comprehensive advice customized to our client's particular needs.

ESG presents important challenges and opportunities for businesses. Accordingly, implementing appropriate policies, practices, and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements is imperative to a business's success. Hinshaw stands ready to help.

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Scott Seaman and Sarah Anderson Review the Impact of ESG on the Insurance Industry February 3, 2022

Commentary in Mealey's Data Privacy Law Report — Key U.S. Insurance Decisions, Trends, & Developments: In These Times Of ESG, Social Inflation, COVID-19, Cyber/Privacy, Civil Unrest, Opioids & Other Perils December 17, 2021

Events

Colleen Jarrott to Present on the Latest Developments in Louisiana Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS) at the American Bar Association

June 20, 2024

Webinar

Bessie Daschbach and Cathy Mulrow-Peattie to Present at the Global GRC, Data Privacy & Cyber Security ConfEx May 21, 2024

New York, New York

Bessie Daschbach to Present on ESG Legal Challenges and Opportunities at the Annual Symposium of the North Carolina Journal of International Law

April 5, 2024

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Scott Seaman to Speak on "Environmental Insurance Coverage Under CGL, Property, and D&O Policies for PFASs, ESG, NRS, CERCLA, RCRA, OPA, and Others"

October 3, 2023

Webinar

Capitol Forum Features Bessie Daschbach in a Discussion About "The Cutting Edge of ESG"

August 8, 2023

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Bessie Daschbach and Colleen Jarrott to Speak on Carbon Sequestration and ESG at the State of the Coast Conference June 1 – 2, 2023

New Orleans, Louisiana

Colleen Jarrott to Moderate a Panel on Carbon Capture at the 70th Mineral Law Institute Hosted by Louisiana State University

March 24, 2023

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Bessie Daschbach and John DeLascio to Present at Global Access Week 2023

March 6 - 10, 2023

London, U.K.

Publications

Attention to ESG is pronounced. Understanding where ESG came from and where it is going is essential to advising our clients.

Significant Supply Chain Implications as Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council Issues Sustainable Procurement Rule April 29, 2024

ESG Business Insights

U.S. EPA Grants Louisiana Primacy for Class VI Geologic Sequestration Wells: What's Next?



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Louisiana Takes Major Step Towards Administering Class VI Geologic Wells for Carbon Sequestration Use

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Insurers Take the Lead on ESG/Sustainability Initiatives

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