



Nathaniel B. Morse

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Nat is an associate in the Vorys Columbus office and a member of the energy and environmental group. Prior to his legal career, he spent ten years in the environmental consulting and academic sectors. Combining this background with his legal experience, Nat helps clients navigate complex state and federal environmental matters. In his legal practice, he has helped clients manage environmental law disputes in various administrative judicial proceedings, and in state and federal courtrooms.

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Practice Areas

Environmental

Environmental Litigation, Dispute Resolution and Crisis Management

Education

Boston University School of Law, J.D., 2017

University of New Hampshire, Ph.D., Earth and Environmental Sciences, 2014

University of New Hampshire, M.S., 2010

University of Vermont, B.S., summa cum laude, 2005, with Honors

Bar & Court Admissions

New Hampshire (resigned)

District of New Hampshire (inactive)

Ohio

Admitted to practice law only in the states listed above.

Career highlights include:

- Advising clients on various Clean Water Act, wetland, industrial discharge and stormwater matters
- Conducting environmental due diligence in various real estate and corporate transactions, including managing Phase I and Phase II environmental assessments, reviewing reports and drafting clientfriendly contract provisions
- Assisting clients in proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board for multiple renewable energy projects
- Representing lenders and developers of various energy infrastructure matters in construction and debt financing transactions
- Challenging a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit to bury a transmission line across a sensitive New Hampshire estuary under both NEPA and the Clean Water Act
- Assisting a major international alternative energy developer gain approval to construct the first utility-scale solar project in New Hampshire

Nat is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association.

Nat earned his J.D. from the Boston University School of Law, where he was a member of the Energy and Environmental Law Society. He earned his Ph.D. and M.S. from the University of New Hampshire. Nat received his B.S. summa cum laude with honors from the University of Vermont, where he was Phi Beta Kappa.



Prior to joining Vorys, Nat was an associate at a law firm in Concord, New Hampshire.

Honors & Recognitions

The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch, Environmental Law, 2024

New Hampshire Super Lawyers Rising Stars, Environmental, 2020

Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Stars, Environmental, 2023-2024

Professional and Community Activities

Environmental Law Institute, Emerging Leaders Initiative, 2019-2020

American Bar Association, Member, 2017-2020

Second Start, Board Secretary, 2018-2020

Granite United Way, Merrimack County Community Impact Committee, Member, 2018-2020