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Biography

Krista deBoer is a Senior Associate at Bick Law. Krista represents clients in all phases of environmental and business litigation, enforcement defense, regulatory compliance, and corporate transactional matters. She has worked with clients from a variety of sectors including aerospace and defense, food and beverage, healthcare, residential development, energy, transportation, and retail. She also represents public sector entities, including port districts and irrigation districts. Krista's practice focuses on CERCLA allocation and cost recovery, NRD assessment, contaminated site cleanup, hazardous materials and hazardous waste compliance, CEQA, Endangered Species Act litigation, and environmental torts.

In addition to representing clients, Krista is a mediator specializing in environmental, education, and business disputes. She has taught negotiation, advanced negotiation, and difficult conversations seminars to corporate, public, and nonprofit organizations in the U.S. and abroad, including through the

Harvard Negotiation Institute. She also teaches negotiation to law students as an Adjunct Professor at Georgetown Law School.

Prior to joining Bick Law, Krista was a litigation associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher where she was a member of Gibson's General Litigation and Mass Tort & Environmental practice groups.

While in law school, Krista was on the teaching teams for the Harvard Law School negotiation course and Harvard Negotiation Institute executive education program, and she did consulting work through the Harvard Negotiation and Mediation Clinical Program. She served as the president and founding member of the Harvard Food Law Society, was an editor of the *Harvard Environmental Law Review*, and was a Lecturer on Law at Boston College.

Education/Admissions

Education

- Harvard Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 2012
- Antioch University, M.A., Education, 2000
- University of Washington, B.A., Speech Communication and English, *magna cum laude*, 1995

Bar and Court Admissions

- State of California
- State of Washington
- State of Oregon
- Central District of California
- Northern District of California

Representative Matters

- Representation of a publicly owned irrigation district in connection with prosecuting a CEQA action
- Representation of a former shipbuilding client in a CERCLA cost recovery action against the United States

- Representation of a defense contractor in connection with a CERCLA natural resource damages assessment proceedings and damages claims of federal, state, and tribal trustees
- Representation of a former shipbuilding client in a Superfund site remediation and CERCLA allocation proceeding involving more than one hundred PRPs
- Advising a port district in connection with soil and groundwater remediation at a former power plant site
- Representation of a former metal plating company director in a DTSC enforcement action and related breach of contract and tort litigation
- Provision of CUPA compliance advice to an importer/exporter logistics company
- Representation of an aerospace manufacturing client to settle tort claims in involving alleged groundwater contamination from historical operations
- Representation of a developer in a multiparty toxic tort case in California state court, and in an associated Regional Water Quality Control Board enforcement action
- Provision of ongoing Clean Air Act compliance advice for several clients, including a multinational oil and gas refinery and a Portland Cement company
- Defense of a life science technology company in an EPA RCRA enforcement action
- Provision of pre-litigation advice to a semiconductor manufacturing company regarding potential lead exposure and workers' compensation laws in multiple states

Publications

- [California's New Toxic Substances Control Act: How Will Federal Preemption Affect California Laws?](#) California Lawyers Association, Environmental Law News (Spring 2018)
- [A Rising Tide Of Proposed Chemical Disclosure Laws](#) (April 12, 2017)
- [Why Calif. Courts Won't Certify Toxic Tort Class Actions](#) (January 20, 2016)
- [Doctrine Of Consent Will Blossom Again In Calif.](#) (October 4, 2013)
- [CEQA Reform: The Aggrieved Instigator](#) (March 5, 2013)

Insights

- Superfund PRPs to Closely Monitor Atlantic Richfield Co. v. Gregory A. Christian, et al., Set for Oral Argument December 3, 2019
- State Regulatory Authority under the New Toxic Substances Control Act
- Chemical Manufacturers and Distributors Face Increased Exposure to California Agency Cost-Recovery Actions Under Broad Causation Standard