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Zachary "Zak" Klein is an associate in the Environmental department. He prides himself on providing businesses, organizations, and municipalities with comprehensive analysis and creative solutions that are tailored to their unique needs. Zak has been published and spoken at conferences concerning a wide range of emerging legal issues, including authorization frameworks for offshore aquaculture and the liability implications of PFAS for commercial composting operations.

Prior to joining private practice, Zak developed insight into environmental law as an Ocean and Coastal Law Fellow at the National Sea Grant Law Center and as the Policy Attorney for a coastal New Jersey nonprofit.

Practices

- Corporate
- Environmental

Bar Admissions

- State of New Jersey
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Education

- J.D., Boston College Law School, 2019
- B.A. cum laude, The George Washington University, 2015

Representative Experience

- Represented county landfill throughout application process and NJDEP approval of petition to expand operations.
- Represented county and municipal entities in negotiation with transportation company and insurance carrier for reimbursement after release of hazardous chemicals at rest stop.
- Advocated before the NJ Senate and Assembly concerning single-use plastics and extended producer responsibility ("EPR") legislation.
- Served as the Solicitor for a Municipal Utility Authority in Burlington County, NJ.

Professional and Community Activities

- Member, American Bar Association, Section of Environment, Energy and Resources
- Member, New Jersey State Bar Association, Environmental Law Section
- Chair, Mount Holly Environmental Advisory Committee
- Board Member, Alliance for a Living Ocean

Publications

- Contributing Author, "Chapter N: Marine Resources," The Year in Review 2021, American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy and Resources (2022).
- Author, Exploring Options for Granting Property Rights to Offshore Aquaculture in the Exclusive Economic Zone, 11 Sea Grant Law & Policy J. 15 (2021).
- Author, "Trouble in Paradise? First Lawsuit Filed Over Vineyard Wind Project," Nat'l Sea Grant Law Ctr. Blog (Aug. 5, 2022).
- Author, "Sea Grant Law Center Celebrates Black History Month: Remembering the Wade-Ins," Nat'l Sea Grant Law Ctr. Blog (Feb. 18, 2021).
- Author, Sea Level Rise in Ossining Consequences of Rezoning and Obligation to Maintain Westerly Road, NSGL Doc. # NSGLC-20-04-04, Nat'l Sea Grant Law Ctr. (2020).