

Environmental/Toxic Tort Practice

Oregon Overview

Representative Sites:

Farmers Supply
Bend Trap Club
Vancouver Slough
Roseburg Landfill
Ontario Groundwater

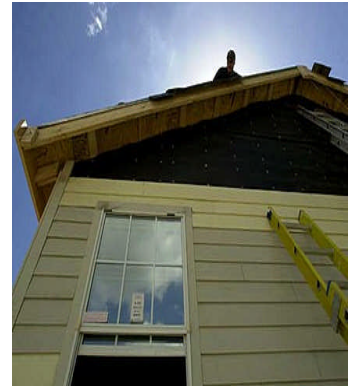
Representative Clients:

Marine contractors
Farmers' cooperatives
Business/property owners
Chemical manufacturers
Excavation companies

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Harrington v. ServPro, Inc.: This case involves the defense of ServPro, Inc., a franchisor, in a case venued in Deschutes Circuit Court, Oregon. The case includes allegations that the plaintiff suffered toxic poisoning as a result of exposure to mold which was left in her home after she hired the franchisee to remove it. The issues involve whether the franchisor is responsible for the liability of the franchisee, as well as the issue of whether the plaintiff is actually suffering from toxic poisoning, and if so, the cause of that illness.



Portland Harbor Superfund Site: We represent the lessee of land on which a grain exporting business is operated. The case is venued in Portland and opposing counsel is the EPA. The case involves review and preparation of EPA CERCLA questionnaires regarding activities on a large superfund site.



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Farmer's Supply Co-op: This case involves the defense of Farmer's Supply Co-op, which is being held liable by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") for groundwater contamination in the area of Ontario, Oregon. We are negotiating with the DEQ, as well as working with the insured's consultant. Currently, we are monitoring an Interim Remedial Action and developing evidence to determine whether the source of the contamination is Farmer's Supply Co-op. The client is Farmer's Supply Co-op, and at this time the case is not in litigation.



C2S Group: This case deals with the disposal of an asbestos-containing pipe in landfill in Roseburg, Oregon. We represent C2S Group, the excavator who also disposed of the pipe not knowing that it was asbestos-containing. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") is requiring a clean-up of the entire landfill as a result of the disposal of this pipe. We are not only negotiating with the DEQ, but also bringing an action against the other responsible parties, which include the City of Roseburg and the sewer district.

