

Sharon Buccino



EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, Washington, DC

Director, Land and Wildlife Program

2004- present

Manage twenty-five professional staff ♦ Develop strategy and vision for program ♦ Establish and implement annual program priorities and benchmarks for success ♦ Oversee annual program budget ♦ Build and motivate teams to secure results ♦ Supervise federal court litigation regarding energy development on public lands ♦ Advance conservation and sustainable energy policies with Administration and Congressional leaders.

Senior Attorney

1998-2004

Led coalition of national and local non-profits to promote and defend the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) ♦ Participated in Council on Environmental Quality NEPA roundtables ♦ Testified before House Energy and Commerce Committee on NEPA and energy project permitting ♦ Directed successful litigation to obtain release of Cheney Energy Task Force papers pursuant to Freedom of Information Act

Legislative Counsel

1995-1998

Lobbied Congressional staff and administration officials to defend and build upon public health and public land protections ♦ Testified before Senate Budget Committee and Senate Governmental Affairs Committee regarding unfunded mandates legislation ♦ Spearheaded campaign, including D.C. advocacy and grassroots organizing, to defeat anti-environmental riders proposed in budget bills ♦ Advised NRDC staff regarding legal restrictions on lobbying and electioneering ♦ Provided expert commentary on environmental legislation for print, radio and TV, including NPR, CNN, and CSPAN

Staff Attorney

1993-1995

Briefed and argued challenge to U.S. EPA sanctions policy under the Clean Air Act (CAA) in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit ♦ Advocated before Washington Council of Metropolitan Governments for transportation projects that complied with the CAA and the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act ♦ Advised local advocates in Chicago, Milwaukee and other cities on CAA transportation conformity requirements

POWELL, GOLDSTEIN, FRAZER & MURPHY, Washington, DC

Associate

1991-1993

Concentrated in litigation and transactions involving environmental, low-income housing, and real estate issues ♦ Successfully defended Connecticut municipalities in Superfund litigation ♦ Served as *pro bono* counsel to D.C. Historic Preservation League ♦ Brought successful appeal before D.C. Office of Regulatory Affairs and D.C. Court of Appeals challenging landowner's failure to maintain historic building

ALASKA SUPREME COURT, Anchorage, AK

Judicial Clerk

1990-1991

Provided research and wrote draft opinions for Justice Allen T. Compton

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY DEPARTMENT, STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Research Assistant to Director

Spring 1990

Wrote manual describing the federal, state and local environmental regulations that affect Stanford University's laboratories

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY, San Francisco, CA

Legal Fellow

Fall 1989

Worked with Land Use Section on eminent domain, zoning and economic development issues ♦ Wrote sections of trial and appellate briefs ♦ Advised Real Estate and Planning Departments

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Stanford, CA

Research Assistant

Academic year, 1988-89

Researched developments in takings law and other land use issues

EDUCATION/ PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

STANFORD LAW SCHOOL, Juris Doctor, 1990

YALE UNIVERSITY, Bachelor of Arts, 1987

Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Admitted to California Bar, 1990; District of Columbia Bar, 1992.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

VOLUNTEER COACH, Basketball, Arlington County Parks and Recreation (2007-present)

BOARD MEMBER, Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association (2016-present)

PUBLICATIONS

Buccino, Sharon. "Keeping the "Public" in Public Lands." *Environmental Law Reporter* (April 2018).

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Buccino, Sharon, Chuck Clusen, Johanna Wald and Ed Norton. Reclaiming Our Heritage: What We Need to Do to Preserve America's National Parks (NRDC: July 1997).

Buccino, Sharon. "Environmental Policy Battles in the Congressional Budget Process: The 104th Congress, Back-Door Assault," 27 *Env'tl L. Rep.* 10113 (March 1997).

Buccino, Sharon and Judith Tracy. Environmental Regulations Affecting Stanford University Laboratories (Stanford University, Environmental Health and Safety Department: June 1990).

Buccino, Sharon. "Is the Bundle Bigger?: The Legal and Practical Implications of *Nollan v. California Coastal Commission* and *First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Glendale v. County of Los Angeles*," with Bruce Goldstein, 8 Stanford Environmental Law Journal 46 (1989).