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KIM K. BURKE is a partner in Taft's Environmental Practice. He graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law in 1980. After working for the Bureau of Legal Services of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, Kim became associated with a Pittsburgh law firm specializing in litigation and environmental matters. In 1981 he joined Taft, where he has concentrated in a variety of environmental law areas, including Superfund defense and negotiation, regulatory enforcement, development and implementation of hazardous substance remedial investigation and corrective measure plans, defense of toxic tort and other civil and criminal claims, real estate transfers, acquisitions and divestitures, government funding, including stimulus and brownfields, environmental insurance litigation, environmental permits and administrative proceedings before state and federal environmental agencies.

Kim was an adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Cincinnati College of Law where he taught a course on advanced problems in environmental law. He also served through 1991 as chairman of the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce Environment and Occupational Safety and Health Committee, was a member of the City of Cincinnati Environmental Advisory Council, has served as legal representative of the City of Cincinnati Hazardous Materials Advisory Committee. He is past chairman of the Cincinnati Bar Association Environmental Law Committee and was formerly chairman of the legal affairs subcommittee for the Hamilton County Advisory Committee on Chemical Emergency Response. Kim served for 24 years on the SARA Title III Local Emergency Planning Committee and also is a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager.

Kim has been named to the Woodward-White listing of *Best Lawyers in America*



Practice Groups:

Brownfield and Site Development, Crisis Management, Litigation, Environmental Transactional Services, Class Action & Multi-Party Litigation, Sustainability, Environmental

Bar/Court Admissions:

Federal

3rd Circuit Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, Southern District of Ohio, Western District of Michigan, Western District of Pennsylvania

State

Ohio, Pennsylvania

Year First Admitted to Practice Law:

1980

Education:

University of Pittsburgh School of Law (1980), Indiana University of Pennsylvania (1977)



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since 1991 and honored as the 2010, 2014 and 2015 "Lawyer of the Year" for Cincinnati Environmental Law. He has also been named a Leading Lawyer by *Cincy Business* magazine. Kim has been honored with inclusion in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers*, has been named an Ohio *Super Lawyer* by the publishers of *Cincinnati Magazine* and *Law & Politics* magazine, and has been included in *The International Who's Who of Environmental Lawyers*. He has represented clients in numerous environmental litigation, regulatory enforcement, Superfund, RCRA and cleanup matters in more than 25 states around the country.

**Professional Affiliations /
Recognitions:**

AV Peer Review Rating
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