

# JONATHAN SKINNER-THOMPSON

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

### **University of Colorado Law School**, Boulder, CO

*Associate Clinical Professor and Director of the Natural Resources & Environmental Law Clinic*

2020-2022

Other courses: Climate Change Law & Policy

Environmental Law

*Board member*, Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources, Energy, and the Environment

*Board member*, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Environmental Justice Advisory Board

## TEACHING & RESEARCH INTERESTS

**Primary:** Administrative Law, Environmental Law, Legislation & Regulation, Natural Resources, Property, and Torts

**Secondary:** Climate Change, Environmental Transactions, Environmental Justice, and International Environmental Law

## EDUCATION

### **Duke University School of Law**, J.D. *cum laude*

2010

**Activities/Awards:** Duke Environmental Law & Policy Forum, *Managing Editor*

Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions, *Law & Policy Fellow*

National Roscoe Hogan Environmental Law Essay Contest, *Winner*

ELSA Moot Court Competition (WTO), *World Runner-up; North American Champions*

**International Studies:** University of Hong Kong

**Internships:** Shearman & Sterling LLP, Frankfurt, Germany; New York, NY

Haiwen & Partners (海问律师事务所), Beijing, China

### **Duke University School of Law**, LL.M. in International & Comparative Law

2010

### **University of California, Berkeley**, B.A. in German (2006): *highest honors* in major; *high honors* overall

2006

**Honors Thesis:** *Encounters East of Eden: German's National Interest in China*

**Activities/Awards:** *Phi Beta Kappa*

The Bruno & Erna Ehlert Prize (Outstanding German Graduate)

California Lightweight Crew, *Varsity Rower*

**International Studies:** University of Hong Kong

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

## PUBLICATIONS

*Procedural Environmental Justice*, 96 WASHINGTON LAW REVIEW \_\_ (forthcoming)

*Administrative Law's Extraordinary Cases*, 30 DUKE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY FORUM 293 (2020) (invited contribution)

*The Status of Aggregation Under the Clean Air Act*, American Bar Association, 1 ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES LITIGATION COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER 1 (2013)

*The Inefficiencies and Deficiencies of Waste Coal as an Alternative Fuel*, 13 VERMONT JOURNAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW 2 (2012) (co-author) (special coal issue)

*Fugitive Emissions: The Marcellus Shale and the Clean Air Act*, 26 NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT 44 (2012) (co-author)

*Who Killed the Hybrid Car? State and Local Green Incentive Programs After Metropolitan Taxicab v. City of New York*, 30 STANFORD ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL 311 (2011)

*Overcoming Babel's Curse: Adapting the Doctrine of Foreign Equivalents*, 93 JOURNAL OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE SOCIETY 57 (2011)

*Note: Myths of Coal's Clean Future: The Story of Methylmercury*, 29 VIRGINIA ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL 171 (2011)

(winner of the 2010 National Roscoe Hogan Environmental Law Essay Contest)

*Note: A Green Road to Development: Environmental Regulations and Developing Countries in the WTO*, 20 DUKE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY FORUM 245 (2010)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

*Procedural Environmental Justice*, presented at

Northeastern University School of Law faculty workshop, November 2021

SMU Dedman School of Law faculty workshop, November 2021

University of Colorado Law School faculty workshop, November 2021

University of Tennessee College of Law faculty workshop, October 2021

University of Alabama School of Law faculty workshop, October 2021

George Washington University Law School faculty workshop, October 2021

University of Minnesota Law School faculty workshop, October 2021

Colorado Law's Climate Change Law & Policy Works-in-Progress Symposium, August 2021

Southern Environmental Law Scholars workshop, July 2021

Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Works-in-Progress Session, June 2021

Columbia Law/Sabin Colloquium Junior Environmental Law Scholars Conference, May 2021

Guest Speaker, *Life as a Government Attorney*, Legislation & Regulation Course (Prof. Ming Chen), University of Colorado Law School, September 2020

Guest Speaker, *Ozone Regulation and Science Policy at EPA*, Practicing Anthropology Course (Prof. Kathryn Goldfarb), University of Colorado, January 2020

Presenter, *Climate Change Policy in Practice: "Regulation" Panel* (Symposium), Duke University School of Law, November 2019

Presenter, *Affordable Clean Energy Rule*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of General Counsel, Air & Radiation Law Office, September 2018

Presenter, *Clean Air Act Enforcement & Administrative Issues*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Webinar, January 2018

Presenter, *Clean Power Plan Litigation*, U.S. Department of Justice, Environment & Natural Resources Division, Environmental Enforcement Section, December 2015

Presenter, *Clean Power Plan—Part II*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of General Counsel, November 2015

Presenter, *Clean Power Plan—Part I*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of General Counsel, October 2015

Presenter, *The Supreme Court on EPA's Broad Regulatory Authority*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of General Counsel, Air & Radiation Law Office, October 2014

Presenter, *Environmental Issues in Commercial Transactions*, Stoel Rives LLP, March 2014

## **SELECT LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

**Office of Regional Counsel**, Denver, CO

07/19-07/20

*Senior Assistant Regional Counsel*—Counseled on Clean Air Act matters, including National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) implementation, permitting, and tribal air matters. Received a bronze medal.

**Office of General Counsel**, Washington, DC; Denver, CO

08/14-07/19

*Attorney-Adviser: Air & Radiation Law Office*—Counseled on ambient air and source monitoring, fine particulates NAAQS implementation, greenhouse gas standards for existing power plants (Affordable Clean Energy Rule and the Clean Power Plan), western interstate transport, exceptional events, and Title V petitions. Tribal air specialist. Received the Administrator's Award for Excellence, the Special General Counsel's Award, a silver medal, and a bronze medal.

### **U.S. Department of Justice**, Washington, DC

10/15-09/16

*Attorney: Environment & Natural Resources Division, Environmental Defense Section*—Member of the Clean Power Plan

litigation team (including successful defense against preliminary injunction before the D.C. Circuit) and *Murray Energy* trial team (concerning jobs analyses under CAA section 321). Helped defend EPA's coal ash disposal rule and a limited air emissions reporting exemption (argued). Received the Assistant Attorney General's Award for Excellence.

**Stoel Rives LLP**, Seattle, WA

02/13-07/14

*Associate: Environmental, Land Use and Natural Resources*—Counseled on environmental cleanup, due diligence and risk management in commercial and real estate transactions, and air and water permitting, compliance, and regulatory development. Secured release of LGBT client in removal proceedings before U.S. Immigration Court.

**Shearman & Sterling LLP**, New York, NY

10/11-02/13

*Associate: Environmental Group*—Counseled on environmental issues in commercial and real estate transactions. Obtained asylum for gay man from Côte d'Ivoire. Summer associate in international arbitration (Frankfurt, Germany) and intellectual property transactions (New York, NY).

**City of Philadelphia, Law Department**, Philadelphia, PA

08/10-08/11

*Law Fellow: Appeals & Legislation Unit*—Appellate advocacy in state and federal courts. Also assisted with energy and environmental matters, including alternative energy procurement program.

### **ADMISSIONS**

- Colorado State Bar, Law Professor Certification (2020)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia (2015)
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (2012)
- New York State Bar, Third Appellate Division (2011)

### **LANGUAGES**

Conversational in Chinese (Mandarin) and German