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33 Washington Street, Toms River, NJ 08753

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**[CHIESA SHAHINIAN & GIANTOMASI PC] RESPONSE DOCUMENT REPORT**

PROPOSAL No. PROPOSAL-2024-155

LEGAL SERVICES IN RELATION TO THE CIBA GEIGY SUPERFUND SITE

RESPONSE DEADLINE: April 30, 2024 at 10:30 am

Report Generated: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

**Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC Response**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Company:**

Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC

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Justin Zaremba

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105 Eisenhower Parkway  
Roseland, NJ 07068

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N/A

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<https://www.csglaw.com/>

**Submission Date:**

Apr 29, 2024 4:32 PM

## ADDENDA CONFIRMATION

*No addenda issued*

## QUESTIONNAIRE

### 1. PRICE CERTIFICATION\*

PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE BELOW DOCUMENT, COMPLETE AND UPLOAD.

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- [PRICE\\_CERTIFICATION.pdf](#)

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### 2. CORPORATE RESOLUTION

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### 3. MANDATORY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION\*

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**4. STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP\***

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**5. NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT\***

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**6. EXCEPTIONS SHEET\***

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- [EXCEPTIONS.pdf](#)

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**7. RUSSIA-BELARUS DISCLOSURE**

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- [2024\\_RUSSIA\\_BELARUS.pdf](#)

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#### 8. IRAN DISCLOSURE

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- [IRAN\\_DISCLOSURE\\_FORM.docx](#)

2024\_IRAN.pdf

#### 9. ADA COMPLIANCE

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- [ADA\\_COMPLIANCE\\_FORM.pdf](#)

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#### 10. BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

PLEASE UPLOAD A COPY OF YOUR BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE. NOTE: APPLICATION MUST BE DONE BY BID OPENING.

**NOTE: THIS IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO AWARD OF CONTRACT, BUT BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO INCLUDE WITH THEIR BID SUBMISSION**

CSG\_Law\_Business\_Registration\_Certificate\_2023.pdf

#### 11. W-9

PLEASE UPLOAD A COPY OF YOUR W-9.

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Form\_W-9\_2024\_4891-9072-2716\_v.1.pdf

## 12. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

PLEASE UPLOAD A COPY OF YOUR CERTIFICATE NAMING THE TOWNSHIP AS THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER AND AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED ON A PRIMARY AND NON-CONTRIBUTORY BASIS.

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## 13. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/AA302/EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

PLEASE UPLOAD YOUR AA302 AND COPY OF THE CHECK OR EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT CERTIFICATE.

**NOTE: THIS IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO AWARD OF CONTRACT, BUT BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO INCLUDE WITH THEIR BID SUBMISSION; AN AA302 SHALL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IF THE VENDOR HAS NEVER BEEN AWARDED A CONTRACT WITH THE TOWNSHIP.**

NJ\_Certificate\_of\_Employee\_Information\_Report\_2023.pdf

## 14. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PLEASE UPLOAD ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION HERE.

**NOTE: THIS IS NOT REQUIRED**

FINAL\_-\_Response\_for\_Toms\_River\_RFP\_2024\_Legal\_Services\_In\_Relation\_to\_CIBA\_Geigy\_Superfund\_Site\_(Toft).pdf

## 15. CHECKLIST\*

PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE BELOW DOCUMENT, COMPLETE AND UPLOAD.

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**TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER  
PRICE CERTIFICATION**

The signature provided on this document certifies that the specifications within were carefully reviewed and all pricing submitted or provided by the Township is approved. The bidder agrees to provide the goods or services specified and inclusive of all terms and conditions.

The optional prompt payment discount shall have no effect on the making of the award.

N/A RCM

PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT \_\_\_\_\_% AUTHORIZED INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_

**FAILURE TO SIGN THIS SHEET SHALL BE REASON FOR REJECTION.**

BIDDER NAME: (MUST MATCH W-9 PROVIDED)

Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC ("CSG Law")

SIGNATURE:  PHONE #: (973) 325-1500

PRINTED NAME: Robert C. McGowan TITLE: Treasurer

EMAIL ADDRESS: marketing@csglaw.com

ADDRESS: 105 Eisenhower Parkway  
Roseland, NJ 07068

BIDDER'S FEDERAL TAX ID #: 

**CORPORATE RESOLUTION**

(To be completed by all business entities. Individuals listed under Section 1 shall be the only authorized signatories on the Price Certification and any other submitted documentation.)

RESOLVED, that the following named officers:

- (1) Robert C. McGowan

Be and hereby are authorized and empowered to sign and submit to the Township of Toms River the attached proposal and further that said officers are authorized to execute the Contract or any other agreement or bond or statement necessary for the fulfillment of obligations incurred by the acceptance of the Township of Toms River of the bid.

I hereby certify that the above constitutes a true copy of a Resolution passed and approved by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on (Date) April 29, 2024

Affix Corporate Seal:  
(if applicable)

Signature of Secretary: /s/ Patricia K. Costello

Print name of Secretary: Patricia K. Costello, Assistant Secretary

## MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

*N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127) and N.J.A.C. 17:27*

### *GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS*

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals established in accordance with



N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, or a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the applicable employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.**



SIGNATURE

Robert C. McGowan, Treasurer

April 29, 2024

DATE

**STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE**

**N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)**

**This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the quote or proposal.**

**Name of Organization:** Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC ("CSG Law")

**Organization Address:** 105 Eisenhower Parkway  
Roseland, NJ 07068

**Part I** Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- For-Profit Corporation (any type)  Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Partnership  Limited Partnership
- Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
- Other (Be Specific) \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II**

- The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case shall be. (COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)

**OR**

- No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case shall be.

**(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):**

<b>Name of Individual or Business Entity</b>	<b>Business Address</b>
N/A. No shareholder owns 10% or more of the issued or outstanding stock of the Firm.	

**STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE (CONT'D)**

**Part III** Disclosure of 10% or greater ownership in the stockholders, partners or LLC members listed in part II

If a vendor has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

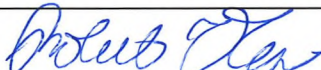
Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s

Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Business Address

**Part IV** Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the vendor/proposer; that the Township of Toms River is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with Township of Toms River to notify the Township of Toms River in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it shall constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the Township of Toms River to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):	<b>Robert C. McGowan</b>	Title:	<b>Treasurer</b>
Signature:		Date:	<b>April 29, 2024</b>

**TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT**

State of New Jersey  
County of Essex

ss: 22-2012591

I, Robert C. McGowan residing in West Orange  
(name of affiant) (name of municipality)  
in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey of full  
age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am Treasurer of the firm of Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC ("CSG Law")  
(title or position) (name of firm)

\_\_\_\_\_ the bidder making this proposal for the bid  
entitled Legal Services in Relation to the CIBA Geigy, and that I executed the said proposal with  
(title of bid)  
full authority to do so that said bidder has not, directly or indirectly entered into any agreement,  
participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in  
connection with the above named project; and that all statements contained in said proposal and in this  
affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Township of Toms River relies  
upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal and in the statements contained in this  
affidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure  
such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or  
contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies  
maintained by Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC.

Subscribed and sworn to

before me this day 29th

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Robert C. McGowan, Treasurer  
(Type or print name of affiant under signature)

April, 24  
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Notary public of  
**VIVIAN R. ACUNA**  
A Notary Public of New Jersey  
My Commission Expires **FEBRUARY 15, 2025**

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

(Seal)

# NOTICE OF EXCEPTIONS

## BIDDERS EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS OR PROVISION OF 'EQUAL' PRODUCTS

- 1) N/A
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_

Please use additional pages, if necessary.

No exceptions to the specifications.

Acknowledged for: Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC ("CSG Law")  
(Name of Bidder)

By:   
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

Name: Robert C. McGowan  
(Print or Type)

Title: Treasurer

Date: April 29, 2024

## CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1, et seq. and N.J.S.A.40A:11-2.2 (L. 2022, c. 3) any person or entity (hereinafter "Vendor") that seeks to enter into or renew a contract with a local contracting unit subject to the Local Public Contracts Law for the provision of goods or services, or the purchase of bonds or other obligations, must complete the certification below indicating whether or not the Vendor is identified on the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, available here: <https://sanctionssearch.ofac.treas.gov/>. If the Department of the Treasury finds that a Vendor has made a certification in violation of the law, it shall take any action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

I, the undersigned, certify that I have read the definition of "Vendor" below, and have reviewed the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, and having done so certify

(Check the Appropriate Box)

A. That the Vendor is not identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus](#).

OR

B. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus](#).

OR

C. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list](#). However, the Vendor is engaged in activity related to Russia and/or Belarus consistent with federal law, regulation, license or exemption. A detailed description of how the Vendor's activity related to Russia and/or Belarus is consistent with federal law is set forth below.

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(Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.)

<p style="text-align: center;"></p> <hr/> <p>Signature of Vendor's Authorized Representative</p> <p><b>Robert C. McGowan, Treasurer</b></p> <hr/> <p>Print Name and Title of Vendor's Authorized Representative</p> <p><b>Chlesa Shahinian &amp; Glantomas PC ("CSG Law")</b></p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Name</p> <p><b>105 Eisenhower Parkway</b></p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Address (Street Address)</p> <p><b>Roseland, NJ 07068</b></p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Address (City/State/Zip Code)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">April 29, 2024</p> <hr/> <p>Date</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[REDACTED]</p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's FEIN</p> <p><b>(973) 325-1500</b></p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Phone Number</p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Fax Number</p> <p><b>marketing@csglaw.com</b></p> <hr/> <p>Vendor's Email Address</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Redacted Pursuant N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Personal Identifying Information</p>
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<sup>i</sup> Vendor means: (1) A natural person, corporation, company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, business association, sole proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, society, trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, organization, or group; (2) Any governmental entity or instrumentality of a government, including a multilateral development institution, as defined in Section 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Institutions Act, 22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3); or (3) Any parent, successor, subunit, direct or indirect subsidiary, or any entity under common ownership or control with, any entity described in paragraph (1) or (2).

## Prohibited Iran Investment Activities

**Person or Entity:** Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC (“CSG Law”)

### Part 1: Certification

#### COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING ONE OF THE THREE BOXES BELOW

Pursuant to law, any person or entity that is a successful bidder or proposer, or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract, for goods or services must complete the certification below prior to contract award to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in prohibited activities in Iran. Before a contract for goods or services can be amended or extended, a person or entity must certify that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list. The list can be found on Treasury's website at the following web address:

[www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf).

As applicable to the type of contract, the above-referenced list must be reviewed prior to completing the below certification.

A person or entity unable to make the certification must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited investment activities in Iran. The person or entity must cease engaging in any prohibited activities and provide an updated certification before the contract can be entered into.

If a vendor or contractor is found to be in violation of law, action may be taken as appropriate and as may be provided by law, rule, or contract, including but not limited to imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default, and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

### CONTRACT AWARDS AND RENEWALS



*I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate appears on the N.J. Department of Treasury's list of entities engaged in prohibited investment activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)*

**CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS**



*I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited investment activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c.25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)*

**IF UNABLE TO CERTIFY**



*I am unable to certify as above because the person or entity and/or a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 Iran list. I will provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities as directed in Part 2 below, and sign and complete the Certification below. Failure to provide such will prevent the award of the contract to the person or entity, and appropriate penalties, fines, and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.*

**Part 2: Additional Information**

**PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO PROHIBITED INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN.**

You must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited investment activities in Iran in the space below and, if needed, on additional sheets provided by you.

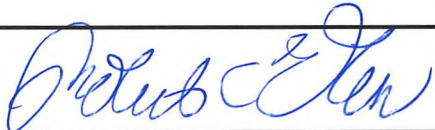


### Part 3: Certification of True and Complete Information

*I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments there, to the best of my knowledge, are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity.*

*I acknowledge that the Township of Toms River is relying on the information contained herein and hereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the Township of Toms River to notify Township of Toms River in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein.*

*I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the Township of Toms River and that the Township of Toms River at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.*

<b>Full Name (Print)</b>	<b>Robert C. McGowan</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>April 29, 2024</b>

**ADA COMPLIANCE FORM**

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**

The contractor and the Township of Toms River do hereby agree that the provisions of Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S12.101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the Township, pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the Township in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the Township, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and incurred in all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the Township's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the Township which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the Township, or if the Township incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The Township shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the Township or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the Township shall expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the Township or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the Township of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract shall not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the Township pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the Township assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which shall arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the Township from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise at law.

April 29, 2024

Date

Signature

Robert C. McGowan, Treasurer

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY/  
DIVISION OF REVENUE  
PO BOX 252  
TRENTON, N J 08646-0252

TAXPAYER NAME:

**CHIESA SHAHINIAN & GIANTOMASI PC.**

TRADE NAME:

ADDRESS:

**105 EISENHOWER PARKWAY  
ROSELAND NJ 07068-1640**

SEQUENCE NUMBER:



Redacted Pursuant  
N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1

EFFECTIVE DATE:

**03/21/94**

ISSUANCE DATE:

**04/14/23**

Personal Identifying  
Information

Director  
New Jersey Division of Revenue

FORM-BRC

This Certificate is NOT assignable or transferable. It must be conspicuously displayed at above address.

(04-08), D205846V



THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer any rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

Table with 2 main columns: PRODUCER (Edgewood Partners Ins. Center) and CONTACT NAME (Commercial Support). Includes insurer details like Great Northern Insurance Company, Chubb Insurance Company, etc.

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

Main table listing insurance coverages (A, B, C, D) with columns for INSR LTR, TYPE OF INSURANCE, POLICY NUMBER, POLICY EFF, POLICY EXP, and LIMITS.

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required) Certificate holder is included as additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis for general liability coverage as required by written contract

Table with 2 columns: CERTIFICATE HOLDER (Township of Toms River) and CANCELLATION (Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. Includes signature of Leonard Aciscia).

CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT RENEWAL

This is to certify that the contractor listed below has submitted an Employee Information Report pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et. seq. and the State Treasurer has approved said report. This approval will remain in effect for the period of **15-Apr-2023** to **15-Apr-2026**

**CHIESA SHAHINIAN & GIANTOMASI, PC**  
**105 EISENHOWER PARKWAY**  
**ROSELAND NJ 07068**



*Elizabeth Maher Muoio*  
ELIZABETH MAHER MUOIO  
State Treasurer



**TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER:  
LEGAL SERVICES IN RELATION TO THE CIBA GEIGY SUPERFUND SITE.**

**1. Names and roles of individual(s) who will be assigned to perform the tasks and a description of their professional experience with Township of Toms River and/or experience with other municipalities and project similar to the matter being advertised.**

Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC (“CSG Law”), a full-service law firm headquartered in Roseland, New Jersey, has one of the largest environmental practice groups in the State of New Jersey. CSG Law’s environmental lawyers address the entire spectrum of legal issues, including litigation, complex permitting and regulatory work. In particular, CSG Law has served as legal counsel to the Township of Toms River on environmental matters for more than 20 years.

Included among the Firm’s Members who may lead or supervise the matters to be assigned are the following individuals, each of whom has substantial experience in areas of particular relevance to the RFQ and direct experience involving governmental entities: **Dennis M. Toft, John G. Valeri Jr., Diana L. Buongiorno** and **Michael Spinello**. A brief description of the experience of each of these attorneys follows directly, and a resume for each is included in **Exhibit A**.

**Dennis M. Toft:** Mr. Toft, Chair of the Firm’s Environmental Group, is highly regarded as one of New Jersey’s leading Brownfields redevelopment practitioners. Governor Christine Todd Whitman appointed Mr. Toft to serve on the New Jersey Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Task Force, a group created by state law to identify and market Brownfields sites. In 2002, Governor James McGreevey appointed Mr. Toft as chairman of the task force. He was a member of Governor Chris Christie’s transition team, where he served on the Environmental Protection Committee. Mr. Toft was also appointed by Governor Richard Codey to serve on the New Jersey Solid Waste Advisory Council. He was also a member of Governor McGreevey’s Transition Team – Environmental Committee. Mr. Toft has extensive experience representing clients in numerous complicated transactions in litigation and in regulatory matters. Typical matters include representing clients in obtaining all the regulatory approvals for major facilities, utility lines, hazardous and solid waste incinerators, and similar controversial projects; defending and negotiating settlements of civil and criminal enforcement actions resulting from discharges or permit violations; and handling all aspects of complicated Brownfield transactions.

Mr. Toft played a key role in the adoption of the New Jersey Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Act. More recently, he was instrumental in the development and adoption of the New Jersey Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRA), which established a Licensed Site Remediation Professional Program in New Jersey.

Mr. Toft has represented private developers and public entities in the environmental permitting process and has assisted clients in obtaining permits under the Flood Hazard Area Control Act, the Coastal Area Facilities Review Act, (CAFRA), the Waterfront Development Law, and the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act, and their federal equivalents. He assists clients with respect to Green Acres diversions and has appeared before the NJ State House Commission.



With respect to Natural Resource Damages, Mr. Toft has represented clients in resolving claims, negotiating and implementing settlements with NJDEP.

**John G. Valeri Jr.:** Mr. Valeri, Practice Group Leader of the Firm’s Environmental Group, has more than 30 years of experience providing advice regarding state and federal environmental laws and regulations, including obtaining permits and approvals involving multiple environmental media for complex projects. Mr. Valeri has shepherded environmental permits and approvals for the development and operation of a variety of electric generation stations, including nuclear, natural gas and oil. In particular, he provides advice and counsel regarding air permits, NJPDES, site remediation, spill prevention plants, stormwater permitting and chemical site security. He is also involved in significant national and state permits, and their resulting litigation, involving major policy decisions, including the regulation of cooling water intake structures under Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act. Mr. Valeri also appears before the Office of Administrative Law and in appeals before the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. He also represents public utilities and renewable project owners and operators before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Mr. Valeri has extensive experience at high levels of both federal and state government, including serving as Associate Deputy General Counsel in the Office of General Counsel at the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and as Counselor to the Administrator under former Administrator Christine Todd Whitman. Mr. Valeri also served as Senior Assistant Counsel for Governor Christine Todd Whitman, where he was responsible for advising the governor on significant environmental and public utility legislation and regulations and served as Chief of Staff to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Mr. Valeri was appointed as a member of the New Jersey Clean Air Council by Governor Chris Christie in 2015, and served as Chair from 2018 to 2022, after serving as Vice-chair in 2017. In September 2023, Mr. Valeri was reappointed as a member of the New Jersey Clean Air Council by Governor Philip D. Murphy. As a member of the Clean Air Council, Mr. Valeri has also served as hearing chair for the Council’s public hearings regarding “The Clean Power Plan – Impact on New Jersey” and “Global Warming Pollutants in New Jersey, Beyond Carbon Dioxide,” and “Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Air Quality.” Mr. Valeri is also a member of the Bernards Township Environmental Commission.

**Diana Buongiorno:** Ms. Buongiorno is a Member with the Environmental and Product Liability & Toxic Tort Groups. She devotes a substantial portion of her practice to litigating environmental, toxic tort and products liability claims before various federal and state courts. Ms. Buongiorno’s experience in environmental law covers both federal and state environmental statutes, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and the New Jersey Spill Compensation and Control Act (Spill Act). As a member of the Board of Trustees of NAIOP NJ, the State’s leading organization for owners, developers and related professionals in office, commercial, industrial and mixed-use real estate and the logistics sector, Diana provides her leadership and influence towards advancing the organization’s vision for the future of real estate development in New Jersey.





**Michael Spinello:** Mr. Spinello is an associate with the firm's Environmental Law Group. Mr. Spinello focuses his practice on all aspects of environmental law including site remediation, environmental due diligence, environmental permitting, and regulatory compliance under state and federal law, including the New Jersey Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA), the Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRA) the Solid Waste Management Act (SWMA), the Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA), and other federal and state environmental statutes.

Mr. Spinello has also prosecuted and defended cost recovery actions under the Spill Compensation and Control Act (Spill Act) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), represented parties subject to enforcement actions by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and other environmental regulators and filed complaints to obtain site access. He is proficient in all phases of litigation, including drafting pleadings, drafting discovery requests and responses, managing large scale document reviews and productions, motion practice, and trial preparation.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Spinello served as a Deputy Attorney General at the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General for the Environmental Enforcement and Environmental Justice Section. In that capacity, he assisted the Department of Environmental Protection in recovering unpaid costs for the remediation of contaminated sites and was involved in enforcing the Spill Act, Water Pollution Control Act, ISRA, Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act, and SRRA. He also executed enforcement actions in municipal court and the Office of Administrative Law.

Please see **Exhibit A** attached hereto, which includes resumes for the aforementioned attorneys.

**2. Professional licenses and/or certifications held by the individual(s) to be assigned to the work required.**

Mr. Toft, Mr. Valeri, Ms. Buongiorno and Mr. Spinello are licensed attorneys in good standing in the State of New Jersey.

**3. Educational background and experience of the individual(s) to be assigned to the work required.**

Full biographies of team members are included as **Exhibit A**, and their educational backgrounds are included below:

- Mr. Toft earned his J.D. from Columbia University Law School in 1982, and his B.S. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1979.
- Mr. Valeri earned his J.D. from the New York University School of Law in 1990, and his B.S. from Bucknell University in 1987.
- Ms. Buongiorno earned her J.D. from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1999, and her B.A. from the University of Georgia in 1996.



- Mr. Spinello earned his J.D. from Rutgers Law School in 2018, and his B.A. from West Virginia University in 2009.

#### **4. List of Professional References and Records of Success, including addresses and telephone contact numbers.**

The Firm has extensive experience and success in State and Federal environmental litigation, particularly Superfund litigation. The Firm has successfully handled cases before the USEPA and the NJDEP and has been successful in compelling clean-ups of contaminated sites by responsible parties and litigating environmental insurance coverage issues. The Firm has also successfully represented industrial and commercial developers in obtaining complex approvals for significant projects.

#### **Representative Matters**

- Representing a petroleum company in connection with a substantial oil spill. We negotiated the settlement of all claims, including NRD claims and resolved related criminal investigation all on favorable terms.
- Representing a liquid bulk terminal company on all environmental matters, including remediation, permitting, auditing, self-disclosure and CERCLA matters in multiple states and in resolving NRD claims.
- Assisted client in obtaining a favorable settlement in a significant natural resource damages NRD matter involving two sites and adjacent waterbodies.
- In connection with an EPA contention that a witness identified a client's facility as having sent hazardous materials to a site, conducted and presented factual research to the EPA proving the witness had mistaken another facility as being a facility owned or operated by our client.
- In connection with a multi-party Superfund site litigation, represented a client through an intensive discovery and ADR process that resulted in a settlement favorable to the client, taking a leading role at all stages of the litigation, ADR and final settlement among the numerous PRPs.
- Negotiated with the private party plaintiffs in a CERCLA action, resulting in a favorable settlement for our client in a case days away from trial.
- Representing a manufacturer in the Shpack Landfill Superfund Site involving hazardous substances investigation and remediation overseen by the US EPA and radioactive materials being primarily managed by the US Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to the FUSRAP program.
- Represented multiple owners and operators of a steel rolling mill in a litigation brought by the State of New Jersey to recover response costs related to alleged VOC contamination of a public supply well near the site. The matter was settled prior to trial.
- Defended client in response to various odor complaints from neighbors and regulatory agencies, ultimately obtaining withdrawal of odor claims.



- Representing client in cleanup cost recovery cases in New Jersey, New York, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, Louisiana, California, Rhode Island, Indiana, Missouri, Colorado, Massachusetts and Florida.
- Represented Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. in connection with obtaining permits from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the construction of high-rise buildings along the Hudson River in Weehawken, NJ and in negotiating a settlement and obtaining permits for a warehouse development on a contaminated property in Secaucus NJ.
- Represented CenterPoint Properties in the negotiation of environmental provisions of the purchase agreement, due diligence and environmental insurance for a \$21.8M commercial property acquisition in Carlstadt, NJ.
- Defended residential developers sued by current homeowners due to the discovery of historic pesticides resulting from the prior agricultural use of the property.
- Appointed and served as liaison counsel to a group of generator defendants in the Pennsauken Landfill litigation. In this capacity, our attorneys were responsible for receiving and distributing daily correspondence and representing the positions of the various group members before the Court, Special Master and other liaison counsel.
- Assisting a client in obtaining regulatory approvals for construction of a power line.
- Represented a major NJ Public Utility in obtaining all permits for a major transmission line expansion project, including handling Green Acres Diversions and appearances before the State House Commission.
- Represented a client with respect to resolving an inadvertent encroachment on Green Acres property related to a site remediation project. Resolved issues with the Green Acres owner and assisted with the diversion process through the State House Commission process.

CSG Law's professional references are included below:

**Township of Colts Neck**

Committeeman Michael Viola  
124 Cedar Drive  
Colts Neck, New Jersey  
(732) 462-5470, ext. 100

**Hudson County Improvement Authority**

830 Bergen Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey 07306  
Norman Guerra, Chief Executive Officer: (201) 324-6222 x 3221

**Township of Hamilton**

2090 Greenwood Avenue  
P.O. Box 00150  
Hamilton, New Jersey 08650-0150  
Richard S. Williams, PE, PP, CME, Municipal Engineer: (609) 890-3636



**County of Hudson**

Susan McCurrie, Esq., Asst. County Counsel  
Office of the County Counsel  
Administration Building Annex – 4th Floor  
567 Pavonia Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey  
(201) 795-6250 Ext. 6268

**Borough of Mount Ephraim**

121 South Black Horse Pike  
Mount Ephraim, New Jersey 08059  
Eric Riso, Borough Solicitor: (856) 784-8500, ext. 21

**5. Description of the support staff available to the individual(s) to be assigned.**

CSG Law is a full-service law firm that has provided high quality legal services to its clients for more than 50 years. CSG Law has more than 300 employees, including more than 185 licensed attorneys and more than 20 paraprofessionals. Our size allows us to respond quickly and decisively to clients' needs. Client teams are staffed appropriately, adding support only as needed to answer urgent needs. In addition, we have developed unique and productive relationships with governmental officials and agencies that enable us to better serve our clients' needs.

# **EXHIBIT A**



## DENNIS M. TOFT

Member  
Chair, Environmental Law

Roseland, NJ  
NJ Phone: (973) 530-2014  
dtoft@csglaw.com

### PRACTICE AREAS

ENVIRONMENTAL • LITIGATION

### INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

BANKING & FINANCE • QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY ZONES • REGULATORY AFFAIRS • RENEWABLE ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY

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### OVERVIEW

Dennis Toft is a renowned environmental lawyer who applies a keen understanding of science and the complexities of regulatory process when addressing the wide range of issues that his clients face. He provides counsel on all aspects of environmental law, including regulatory counseling, environmental due diligence, permitting, enforcement and environmental litigation, development/redevelopment and environmental insurance.

Dennis is highly regarded as one of New Jersey's leading Brownfields redevelopment practitioners. Governor Christine Todd Whitman appointed Dennis to serve on the New Jersey Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Task Force, a group created by state law to identify and market Brownfields sites. In 2002, Governor James McGreevey appointed Dennis as chairman of the task force. He was a member of Governor Chris Christie's transition team, where he was a member of the Environmental Protection Committee. Dennis was also appointed by Governor Richard Codey and served on the New Jersey Solid Waste Advisory Council. He was also a member of Governor McGreevey's Transition Team – Environmental Committee.

Dennis regularly appears before the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, municipal land use boards and the Office of Administrative Law, and in state and federal courts.

Dennis has extensive experience representing clients in numerous complicated transactions in litigation and in regulatory matters. Typical matters include assisting a client in negotiating the first environmental risk transfer agreement that was approved by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; representing clients in obtaining all the regulatory approvals for major facilities, utility lines, hazardous and solid waste incinerators and similar controversial projects; defending and negotiating settlements of natural resource damage claims; defending clients in cost recovery actions; defending and negotiating settlements of civil and criminal enforcement actions resulting from discharges or permit violations; representing clients dealing with Clean Air Act, Water Pollution Control, RCRA and other complicated regulatory processes; and handling all aspects of complicated Brownfield transactions.

Dennis played a key role in the adoption of the New Jersey Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Act. More recently, Dennis was instrumental in the development and adoption of the New Jersey Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRA), which establishes a Licensed Site Remediation Professional Program in New Jersey.

Dennis received his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and served as a staff member and administrative editor of the *Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems*. He earned a degree in physics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he was elected to Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society.

***\*Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.***

## HONORS

- Included in *Chambers USA*, New Jersey Environment (2009-2023)
- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, Environmental Law; Litigation – Environmental (2006-2024)
- Selected to the *New Jersey Super Lawyers* list, Environmental (2005-2024)
- Included in *New Jersey Business Magazine*, INNOVATE100 Leaders (2024)
- Included in *NJBIZ*, Law Power 50 (2022-2023)
- Included in *ROI-NJ*, Influencers: Environment (Ranked #1 – 2023)
- Recipient, New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, Legislative and Business Awards: Business Advocate of the Year (2023)
- Included in *NJBIZ*, Leaders in Law, Real Estate/Environmental (2021)
- Recipient, *New Jersey Law Journal*, Unsung Heroes Award (2020)
- Recipient, *NJBIZ*, Icon Honors Award (2019)
- Recipient, NAIOP, Industry Service Award; Included in the New Jersey Hall of Fame (2018)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV<sup>®</sup> Rating

- Recipient, United Way, Outstanding Volunteer Service Award
- Recipient, Boy Scouts of America, Patriots' Path Council, Silver Beaver Award
- Recipient, Boy Scouts of America, Patriots' Path Council, Distinguished Eagle Scout Award; Included in the Eagle Scout Hall of Fame

## INVOLVEMENT

- American College of Environmental Lawyers, Fellow
- American Bar Association
- Essex County Bar Association
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Outdoor Recreation Advisory Committee
- New Jersey Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Task Force, Chair
- NAIOP – New Jersey Chapter, Board Member
- The Nature Conservancy – New Jersey Chapter, Board of Trustees
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, Executive Committee; Environmental Lead for Board of Trustees
- New Jersey Institute of Technology, Trustee
- Environmental Law Institute, Associate
- Continuing Professional Education Services, LLC, Advisory Board Member
- Montclair State University, Continuing Education for Environmental Professionals Advisory Committee
- Boy Scouts of America, Patriot's Path Council; Trustee; and Scout Leader
- Church of the Little Flower, Lay Trustee

## EDUCATION

- Columbia Law School (J.D., 1982)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (B.S., Physics, 1979)

## ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit



- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

## NEWSROOM

- Halfmoon Education Inc. Webinar: Complying with the New Jersey Flood Hazard Area Control Act (May 9, 2024)
- COMMERCE Magazine: Innovation Drives Success in Environmental Leadership (April 2024)
- Brownfield Coalition of the Northeast: Revised NJDEP Groundwater Quality Standards and Their Impacts on Brownfield Sites (April 30, 2024)
- Dennis Toft Named to the Nature Conservancy's NJ Chapter Board of Trustees (December 14, 2023)
- Continuing Professional Education Services: The Role of the Expert and the Attorney in Arbitrated Circumstances (October 19, 2023)
- NJBIZ Conversations: Dennis Toft (September 18, 2023)
- NAIOP: Regulatory, Legislative & Legal Update (July 11, 2023)
- NJ Spotlight News: Supreme Court cuts EPA power to protect wetlands. What's next? (May 30, 2023)
- New Jersey Apartment Association: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Proposed Inland Flood Rules (March/April 2023)
- CLIMATEWIRE: N.J. to force developers to account for climate change (December 16, 2022)
- Law360: NJ Enviro Justice Rules Stir Concerns Job Gains Out Of Mix (October 24, 2022)
- ROI-NJ: The Environment: Q&A with Dennis Toft, chair, Environmental Law Group, CSG Law (September 8, 2022)
- ROI-NJ: Change is hard: We've seen impact of climate change – and we know some ways to address it. But doing so isn't easy (September 8, 2022)
- Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey: How NJ's New Environmental Regulations Are Impacting Construction & Development (August 23, 2022)
- NAIOP NJ: Regulatory, Legislative, and Legal Update (July 14, 2022)
- ROI-NJ: DEP to issue emergency rule expanding flood hazard jurisdiction, stormwater requirements (June 1, 2022)
- NJDEP To Issue Emergency Rule Expanding Flood Hazard Jurisdiction in Riverine Areas And Expanding Storm Water Requirements (May 2022)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce: ReNEW JERSEY Business Summit & Expo (April 13, 2022)
- Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Journal: 7th Annual New Jersey Industrial Real Estate Development Conference (March 3, 2022)
- The Nature Conservancy: Thanks and Happy Trails to Two Legacy Trustees (Fall/Winter

2021)

- CSG Law Alert: Just When You Thought Your Cleanup Was Done-NJDEP Issues New Guidance on Contaminants of Emerging Concern (August 30, 2021)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce – Edge: The Business Books NJ Executives are Reading, and the Lessons they are Learning (July 2021)
- ACC NJ: Environmental Justice Update for NJ Businesses (June 30, 2021)
- Celesq: Environmental Justice Update for NJ Businesses (May 21, 2021)
- NJBIZ: Five Questions with 2021 NJBIZ Leader in Law, Dennis M. Toft (May 18, 2021)
- Brownfield Coalition of the Northeast: Nuts and Bolts of New Jersey's New Brownfield Tax Incentives and Loan Program (March 4, 2021)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce – Edge: COVID-19, Social Unrest, Political Upheaval. We asked N.J. Business Execs: How Has the Past Year Changed You? (March 3, 2021)
- CSG Law Alert: What Real Estate Developers Need to Know About the 2020 New Jersey Brownfields Tax Credit (January 19, 2021)
- COMMERCE Magazine: Energy Projects and Initiatives Will Impact New Jersey (January 5, 2021)
- Real Estate NJ: Industry leaders join forces to secure new insurance option for environmental cleanups (December 14, 2020)
- COMMERCE Magazine: COVID-19 has changed protocols, but the work and projects continue across the Garden State (November 9, 2020)
- Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Journal: 6th Annual Industrial Real Estate Development Virtual Conference (October 2, 2020)
- New Jersey Law Journal: Dennis Toft of Chiesa Shahinian on How Firm Success Is 'Not Easily Quantifiable' (September 18, 2020)
- NAIOP New Jersey: Regulatory, Legislative & Legal Update (June 10, 2020)
- CSG Law Alert: Reflections from an Environmental Lawyer on the 50th Anniversary of NEPA (April 22, 2020)
- ROI-NJ: Environmental lawyer reflects on 50th anniversary of NEPA (April 22, 2020)
- In Continued Effort to Flatten the Curve, Governor Murphy's Executive Order 122 Places Restrictions on Non-Essential Construction (April 2020)
- CSG Law Alert: Environmental Concerns Related to COVID-19 (March 19, 2020)
- NJBIZ: Sharper focus (February 24, 2020)
- CSG Law Alert: Welcome to "Ground Zero" for Climate Change (January 2, 2020)
- Opportunity Zone Boot Camp & Pitch Competition (October 17, 2019)
- Rutgers University: Developing a Supply Chain for Offshore Wind (October 17, 2019)
- MGP Conference: Improving Community Relations (October 7, 2019)

- NJ Spotlight: Will Trump's Clean-Water Rollback Imperil NJ's Small Streams, Wetlands? (September 17, 2019)
- NAIOP New Jersey: Regulatory, Legislative & Legal Update (July 9, 2019)
- ROI-NJ: CSG's Toft on why Murphy environmental order doesn't change as much as some think (April 5, 2019)
- CSG Law Alert: NJDEP Proposes Category One Designation for 749 Miles of rivers and Streams (March 6, 2019)
- NJDEP Proposes New Storm Water Protection Regulations (January 2019)
- Real Estate NJ: Building on a Success (December 17, 2018)
- New Jersey Business Magazine: NJ's LSRP Program the Focus of 'New World of Site Remediation' Discussion (October 31, 2018)
- CSG and Atlantic Environmental Solutions: The New World of Site Remediation (October 2, 2018)
- NJ ChamberEdge: Nine N.J. Executives Share Their Ingredients for Good Leadership (June 4, 2018)
- New Jersey Apartment Association Conference & Expo: Indoor Environmental Hazards (May 23, 2018)
- Chemistry Council of New Jersey 34th Annual Spring Conference (April 30, 2018)
- CSG Law Alert: Why EPA's Proposed Changes to Fuel Economy Standards Will Hurt New Jersey (April 5, 2018)
- ROI-NJ: Why EPA's proposed changes to fuel economy standards will hurt New Jersey (April 4, 2018)
- NJ Spotlight: EPA Relaxes Tough Fuel-Economy Standards for Cars, Light Trucks (April 3, 2018)
- CSG Law Alert: The Bible Tells Me What? (March 26, 2018)
- ROI-NJ: Energy Storage CEO Says Industry is Finally Getting Noticed (March 15, 2018)
- ROI-NJ: Murphy's Green Message Has Firms Dreaming Big (February 1, 2018)
- Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey: What's on the Environmental Horizon? (January 10, 2018)
- GlobeSt.com: Can a Debt-Burdened Flood Program Take on Hurricane Harvey? (August 30, 2017)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce – Edge: When Getting Away is the Best Way to Get Business Done (July 7, 2017)
- New Jersey Apartment Association: 28th Annual Conference & Expo (May 24, 2017)
- No Spill Act Liability for the State of New Jersey for Discharges Occurring Prior to 1977 (March 2017)

- NJSpotlight: NJ High Court Rules State Not Liable for Raritan Bay Superfund Site (March 28, 2017)
- NJ Supreme Court Expands Insurer's Liabilities for Environmental Damages (February 10, 2017)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce – Edge: The Daily Habits that Give New Jersey Executives an Edge (February 2017)
- Development Magazine: Six Lessons for Developers Considering a Brownfield Remediation Project (Fall 2016)
- ConstructionDIVE: Land(fill) of opportunity: Why builders are turning dumps into new developments (July 5, 2016)
- Annual Environmental CLE Update (May 10, 2016)
- Meadowlands USA: Environmental Due Diligence (April 25, 2016)
- Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Journal: It's All About the Dirt (March 11, 2016)
- What Every LSRP Needs to Know About the New NJ SRPLB Rules Adopted on 1/4/16 (February 19, 2016)
- Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Journal: NJ Industrial Real Estate & Development Summit (February 11, 2016)
- Governor Christie and the New Jersey Legislature Act to Save NJDEP Public Access Rules (January 28, 2016)
- Failure to Conduct Preliminary Assessment Renders General Partners Individually Liable Under the Spill Act (January 2016)
- Meadowlands USA: Navigating the Selection Process (January 2016)
- Law360: NJ Senate Backs Bill Protecting Towns from Spill Suits (January 7, 2016)
- Appellate Division Strikes Down NJDEP Public Access Rules (December 2015)
- NAIOP New Jersey Chapter: NJDEP Reminds Parties Doing Cleanups to be Mindful of Compliance Obligations (December 11, 2015)
- ConstructionDIVE: Flooded with Controversy: Developers, Owners Challenge New FEMA Floodplain Maps (December 10, 2015)
- GlobeSt: Three Years After Sandy, FEMA Maps Challenge Development (November 16, 2015)
- Asbury Park Press: Sandy: Three years later, almost home (October 29, 2015)
- New Jersey Chamber of Commerce: The New Jersey Business Summit – A Time for Action (September 17, 2015)
- Law360: Exxon Ruling Is Useful for Evaluating NJ Pollution Claims (September 4, 2015)
- Court Approves \$225 Million Consent Judgment Settling the State's NRD Claims Against ExxonMobil Corp. (August 2015)

- Law360: \$225M Exxon Deal Offers Blueprint for Pollution Review (August 27, 2015)
- Law360: A Primer on NJ's Vilified Refinery Pollution Deal with Exxon (June 10, 2015)
- NJDEP CVP: SRAG Group Meeting (June 10, 2015)
- CIANJ/Environmental Business Council's Spring Conference: Communicating Science & Risk to the Public and Interested Stakeholders (May 6, 2015)
- 2015 Industrial and Economic Development Summit (February 12, 2015)
- Oil & Gas Monitor: The Environment and the Oil and Gas Industry (August 27, 2014)
- Law360: NJ Enviro Decision Will Help Bankroll Site Cleanups (August 7, 2014)
- CIANJ Environmental Business Council Spring Conference: Using Best Professional Judgment as a Site Remediation Tool (April 4, 2014)
- Determining Damages in Environmental Cases in the World After Burlington Northern (March 2014)
- Remedial Investigation Extension Bill Adopted (January 22, 2014)
- PlanSmart NJ's Policy Briefing: The LSRP Program, A Year Later: Impact on Development (September 12, 2013)
- RE3 Conference: Remediation Framework – Federal (November 13, 2012)
- CIANJ's 4th Innovative Environmental Technology Conference (October 15, 2012)
- NJBIA: Licensed Site Remediation Seminar (March 7, 2012)
- The Star-Ledger: Burdensome environmental regulations are counterproductive: Environment and economy can go hand in hand (April 23, 2010)
- New Jersey's Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRA) Summit: Legal Perspectives on New Jersey's New LSRP Program (December 4, 2009)



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### INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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### OVERVIEW

John G. Valeri Jr. has more than 30 years of experience providing advice regarding state and federal environmental laws and regulations, including obtaining permits and approvals involving multiple environmental media for complex projects. He provides strategic policy advice on major state and federal legislative and regulatory initiatives.

#### **Electric Generation Sector**

John has shepherded environmental permits and approvals for the development and operation of a variety of electric generation stations, including nuclear, natural gas and oil. In particular, he provides advice and counsel regarding air permits, NJPDES, site remediation, spill prevention plants, stormwater permitting and chemical site security. He is also involved in significant national and state permits, and their resulting litigation, involving major policy decisions, including the regulation of cooling water intake structures under Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act.

#### **Public Utilities**

John advises public utilities in New Jersey regarding a variety of regulatory programs, including wetlands and flood hazard areas before the NJDEP. He also appears before the NJBPU to obtain approvals to construct natural gas transmission lines.

#### **Commercial and Industrial Development**

John assists in environmental due diligence and review of the sale and purchase of industrial and commercial property, including reviewing Phase I and Phase II Environmental Assessments,

advice regarding the Industrial Site Recovery Act and drafting terms and conditions of purchase and sale agreements, easements, leases and other real estate and commercial documents.

### Renewable Energy

John appears before the NJBPU regarding the implementation of solar energy incentives and programs, including the implementation of the New Jersey Solar Act of 2012.

### Regulatory Affairs

John has extensive experience at high levels of both federal and state government, which combined with his knowledge of the environmental and public utility area, provides unique legal and strategic benefits to his clients. He served as Associate Deputy General Counsel in the Office of General Counsel at the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and also served as Counselor to the Administrator under former Administrator Christine Todd Whitman. John also served as Senior Assistant Counsel for Governor Christine Todd Whitman, where he was responsible for advising the governor on significant environmental and public utility legislation and regulations, including negotiating the passage of the Brownfield and Contaminated Sites Act and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act. He also served as Chief of Staff to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, where he had responsibility for overseeing the implementation of energy deregulation, as well as aspects of the transition of the telephone and cable television industries into competition.

After having been appointed as a member of the New Jersey Clean Air Council by Governor Chris Christie in 2015, John served as its Chair from 2018 to 2021 after serving as Vice-Chair in 2017. In September 2023, John was reappointed as a member of the New Jersey Clean Air Council by Governor Philip D. Murphy. As a member of the Clean Air Council, John has also served as public hearing committee chair for the following annual public hearings: 2016 – “The Clean Power Plan – Impact on New Jersey;” 2019 – “Global Warming Pollutants in New Jersey: Beyond Carbon Dioxide; and 2022 – “Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Air Quality.” In 2014, he was selected to serve as vice chair of the Energy Bar Association’s Environmental Regulation Committee.

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### HONORS

- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, Environmental Law (2019-2024)

### INVOLVEMENT

- American Institute of Chemical Engineers
- Energy Bar Association
- New Jersey Clean Air Council, Member and Past-Chair

- New Jersey Utilities Association
- Alliance for Action

## EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law (J.D., 1990)
- Bucknell University (B.S., Chemical Engineering, *magna cum laude*, 1987)

## ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. Supreme Court

## NEWSROOM

- CSG Law Alert: EPA Ratchets Down on Fine Particulate Standards (March 12, 2024)
- CSG Law Alert: How Building Owners Can Show Good Faith Efforts to Comply with Local Law 97's Emissions Limits (January 8, 2024)
- CSG Law Alert: NJDEP Considering Regulation Barring the Sale of Most Gas and Diesel Passenger Vehicles and Light Duty Truck Vehicles by 2035 (September 20, 2023)
- CSG Law Alert: Internal Revenue Service Issues Proposed Rules for Direct Pay and Transfer of Clean Energy Tax Credits (July 14, 2023)
- CSG Law Alert: Energy and Water Consumption Benchmarking for NJ Commercial Buildings Scheduled to Start October 2023 (June 15, 2023)
- NJBIA: 2023 Annual Environmental, Social & Governance Conference (June 7, 2023)
- CSG Law Alert: NJ Board of Public Utilities Adjusts Value of Solar Renewable Energy Credits (March 8, 2023)
- CIANJ: Energy & Climate Change Summit (August 11, 2022)
- NJDEP Proposes Rules Implementing Landmark Environmental Justice Law Which Will Change the Paradigm of Environmental Permitting in Overburdened Communities (June 20, 2022)
- NJBIA: "Experts Explain New Environmental Justice Rule Impacting NJ Businesses" Seminar (June 2022)
- CSG Law Alert: Governor Murphy Signs Bill With Implications for New Warehouse Development in New Jersey (November 12, 2021)



- The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Implements New Solar Incentive Program (August 2021)
- Governor Murphy Signs Bill That Requires Electric Charging Stations in Most New Development Projects in New Jersey (July 27, 2021)
- Celesq: Environmental Justice Update for NJ Businesses (May 21, 2021)
- CSG Law Alert: NJDEP Proposes Fumigation Rule with Potential Implications for Commercial Property Owners (May 6, 2021)
- CSG Law Alert: As the Pandemic Approaches an End, Beware of Your Environmental Deadlines (April 12, 2021)
- Solar Investment Tax Credit Extension Included in COVID-19 Relief Bill Signed by President Trump (December 2020)
- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Approves Application for Year 2 of the Community Solar Pilot Program (October 2020)
- Solar Industry: Policy Tweaks Will Prompt Boost in New Jersey Solar Development (September 17, 2020)
- NJUA: Keeping It 100: The PACT's Impact: Stimulus and Sustainability (September 10, 2020)
- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Extends TREC Program (July 30, 2020)
- ROI-NJ: N.J.'s solar sector worried about future as incentives transition, but hopeful that clean-energy goals will lead to clarity (July 13, 2020)
- NJBPU Announces Closure of the SREC Program: The Day for Solar Transition Arrives (April 2020)
- CSG Law Alert: New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Issues an Emergency Order in Response to COVID-19 (March 19, 2020)
- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Adjusts TREC Value (March 2020)
- Governor Signs Class 1 Renewable Energy Cost Cap Relief Bill into Law (January 23, 2020)
- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clarifies TREC Eligibility (January 2020)
- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Orders Creation of Solar Transition Incentive Program (December 2019)
- CSG Law Alert: PFAS – It's Everywhere in New Jersey (November 12, 2019)
- CSG Law Alert: New Jersey Releases Draft of 2019 Energy Master Plan and Invites Comment (June 17, 2019)
- Chemistry Council of New Jersey 35th Annual Spring Conference (May 7, 2019)
- CSG Law Alert: Third Circuit Opinion Sets Precedent That Implicates Projects Involving State-Issued Environmental Permits (October 5, 2018)
- CSG Law Alert: Senate Environment and Energy Committee Passes S-1074 (1R) (February 20, 2018)

- Law360: Newark Energy Center Appellate Decision (December 4, 2017)
- NJ Supreme Court Expands Insurer's Liabilities for Environmental Damages (February 10, 2017)
- "It Ain't Over 'Til It's Over" ... and Emails and Drafts are not Settlements with the NJDEP (November 2016)
- Annual Environmental CLE Update (May 10, 2016)
- Governor Christie and the New Jersey Legislature Act to Save NJDEP Public Access Rules (January 28, 2016)
- Appellate Division Strikes Down NJDEP Public Access Rules (December 2015)
- 2015 Environmental Law Section Forum Weekend (June 26, 2015)



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### OVERVIEW

Diana Buongiorno is an attorney in the Environmental and Product Liability & Toxic Tort Groups with over 20 years of experience. While she devotes a substantial portion of her practice to representing the interests of clients in connection with regulatory compliance, permitting and other aspects of remediation, real estate transactions and redevelopment projects, she is also a well-respected litigator handling claims in the areas of environmental, toxic tort and products liability law before various federal and state courts.

#### Environmental

Diana's experience in environmental law covers both federal and state environmental statutes, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Clean Water Act, the New Jersey Spill Compensation and Control Act (Spill Act), the New Jersey Waterfront Development Law and the New Jersey Wetlands Protection Act, the New Jersey Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRRA), the Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA) and many other federal and state statutes.

#### Products Liability & Toxic Tort

Diana's experience in toxic tort and products liability matters is equally noteworthy, representing clients in New York and New Jersey on matters involving claims for damages (including medical monitoring) related to sanitary sewer overflows, polluted municipal water wells, and exposure to carbon monoxide, lead paint, mold, chlorine gas and other toxins. She has also successfully represented a multitude of corporations of varying size and industry against claims of defective products, defective design, failure to warn and ancillary common law claims.

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## HONORS

- Included in *Chambers USA*, New Jersey Environment (2012-2017; 2021-2023)
- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Environmental Law; Litigation – Environmental (2024)
- Selected to the *New Jersey Super Lawyers – Rising Stars* list, Environmental; Litigation (2012-2014)

## INVOLVEMENT

- NAIOP – New Jersey Chapter, Board of Trustees
- Steering Committee, New Jersey Governor's Conference for Women (2012)
- American Bar Association
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- New Jersey Women Lawyers Association

## EDUCATION

- Seton Hall University School of Law (J.D., 1999)
- University of Georgia (B.A., 1996)

## ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

## NEWSROOM

- Continuing Professional Education Services: The Role of the Expert and the Attorney in Arbitrated Circumstances (October 19, 2023)
- Continuing Professional Education Services: LSRP Ethics and Professionalism (March 8, 2023)
- CSG Law Alert: NJDEP's Direct Oversight Authority Broadly Defined (February 7, 2023)
- Brightfields 2018 Newark (June 19, 2018)
- Determining Damages in Environmental Cases in the World After Burlington Northern (March 2014)



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### OVERVIEW

Michael Spinello focuses his practice on a wide range of environmental regulatory, litigation, insurance coverage and transactional matters.

Before joining CSG Law, Michael worked as an associate attorney at a prominent northern New Jersey law firm where he counseled clients in all aspects of environmental law including site remediation, environmental due diligence, environmental permitting, and regulatory compliance under state and federal law, including the New Jersey Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA), the Site Remediation Reform Act (SRRRA) the Solid Waste Management Act (SWMA), the Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA), and other federal and state environmental statutes.

Michael also prosecuted and defended cost recovery actions under the Spill Compensation and Control Act (Spill Act) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), represented parties subject to enforcement actions by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and other environmental regulators and filed complaints to obtain site access. He is proficient in all phases of litigation, including drafting pleadings, drafting discovery requests and responses, managing large scale document reviews and productions, motion practice, and trial preparation.

Earlier in his career, Michael served as a Deputy Attorney General at the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General for the Environmental Enforcement and Environmental Justice Section. In that capacity, he assisted the Department of Environmental Protection in recovering unpaid costs for the remediation of contaminated sites and was involved in enforcing the Spill Act,

Water Pollution Control Act, ISRA, Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act, and SRRA. He also executed enforcement actions in municipal court and the Office of Administrative Law.

Michael clerked for the Hon. Jodi Lee Alper, P.J.Ch. with the Essex Vicinage – Chancery Division, General Equity Part. He was also a Henry J. Raimondo Legislative Fellow for the Eagleton Institute of Politics' Graduate Program in Politics and Government. As part of his fellowship, Michael worked in the New Jersey Legislature for Office of Legislative Services- Environment, Agriculture Energy & Natural Resources Section.

Michael earned his J.D. from Rutgers Law School, and his B.A. from West Virginia University.

## INVOLVEMENT

- American Bar Association
- Eagleton Institute of Politics Alumni Committee, Secretary
- Essex County Bar Association
- Justice Stewart G. Pollock Environmental American Inn of Court
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Environmental Section & Young Lawyers Division
- New York State Bar Association
- Licensed Site Remediation Professional Association

## EDUCATION

- Rutgers Law School (J.D., 2018)
- West Virginia University (B.A., Political Science, 2009)

## ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- New York
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

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OF YOUR BID.**

- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE**
- COMPLETED, SIGNED AND NOTORIZED WITH SEAL AFFIXED TO **NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT**
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **EXCEPTIONS SHEET**
- COMPLETED **CORPORATE RESOLUTION**
- COMPLETED **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDA**
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **PRICE CERTIFICATION**
- VALID COPY OF YOUR **PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE**, WHEN APPLICABLE
- COMPLETE **CONSENT OF SURETY**, WHEN APPLICABLE
- COMPLETE **BID SECURITY**, WHEN APPLICABLE
- COMPLETED **FEDERAL NON-DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION**, WHEN APPLICABLE

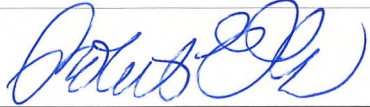
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TO INCLUDE WITH THEIR SUBMITTAL.**

- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA-BELARUS & IRAN**
- COPY OF **BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE** ISSUED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE  
TREASURY
- CURRENT **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION** DOCUMENTATION
- CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE** NAMING THE TOWNSHIP AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **W-9**
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **ADA COMPLIANCE FORM**
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) LOBBYING CERTIFICATION**
- COMPLETED AND SIGNED **DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES (LLL FORM)**
- A COPY OF YOUR **BUSINESS ENTITY ANNUAL STATEMENT** (FORM BE), IF APPLICABLE

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