

Tom Tuori has more than thirty years of experience in the environmental field, including sixteen years as an environmental consultant and project manager before obtaining his law degree. His diverse background has helped shape Tom's problem-solving and practical approach when handling complex environmental legal matters.

He builds lasting relationships with clients using his unique perspective as an attorney with real-world technical knowledge, his strategic legal advice and a reassuring, consultative style.

## Representative Experience

The following summaries illustrate Tom's experience as an environmental attorney:

- Counseled clients regarding the environmental risks associated with business, real estate, and financing transactions (ranging from \$1B+ corporate deals to small commercial real estate deals) and developed practical strategies for addressing such risks.
- Counseled clients regarding the New York State Brownfields Cleanup Program (BCP) and assisted clients with the successful completion of BCP requirements.
- Counseled clients regarding liabilities and cleanup obligations associated with contaminated properties, negotiated with involved regulatory agencies and other responsible parties, and developed and implemented cost recovery strategies.
- Counseled clients regarding environmental permitting and regulatory compliance issues involving air emissions, hazardous waste, solid waste, recycling, underground storage tanks, wastewater and storm water discharges, wetlands, and Occupational Health and Safety Administration requirements, developed practical strategies for resolving the issues, and, when necessary, negotiated with involved regulatory agencies.
- Counseled clients regarding the environmental permitting, zoning, and State Environmental Quality Review Act requirements associated with their projects and developed practical strategies for moving their projects forward.

The following summaries illustrate Tom's experience as an environmental consultant and project manager:

- Managed CERCLA cost recovery projects for several Fortune 100 clients that involved assessing and prioritizing the potential claims, preparing cost recovery documentation, participating in settlement negotiations with the USDOJ, and supervising project teams.



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## Admissions

New York

## Education

SUNY Buffalo Law School, J.D.,  
*summa cum laude*

University of Rochester, B.S.,  
Environmental Engineering

- Managed a multi-year environmental permit transfer project that involved transferring hundreds of permits for domestic and international facilities.
- Managed and conducted Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments, remedial investigations, industrial hygiene investigations, ISO 14001 environmental management systems audits, and wetland delineations.
- Drafted environmental impact statements.

### Professional and Civic Affiliations

- Member, New York State Bar Association
- Member, Independent Oil & Gas Association of New York
- Member, Town of Brighton Monroe Avenue Green Infrastructure Grant Project Committee
- Former Member, City of Rochester Environmental Commission
- Former City of Rochester Representative, Monroe County Environmental Management Council

### Honors and Awards

- Recipient, John N. Bennett Achievement Award for the highest scholastic achievement in the 2007 graduating class, SUNY Buffalo Law School
- Recipient, 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 2005 Environmental Law Essay Contest, New York State Bar Association

### Publications

- Co-Author. "DEC Initiative Targets Hazardous Waste at Pharmacies, Other [Retail] Entities," *New York Law Journal*, April 14, 2015
- Co-Author. "Hydraulically Fractured Natural Gas Wells Subject to New USEPA Air Regulations," *The Pipeline* [Newsletter of the Independent Oil & Gas Association of New York], Spring 2012
- Author, "Enforcement of SEQRA Mitigation Measures: Discussion and Case Studies," *The New York Environmental Lawyer*, Summer 2006

### Presentations

Tom has presented at seminars and conferences focusing on the storm water regulatory requirements.

