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- Expertise in A-901 solid waste licensing, permitting, and violations
- Environmental issues in real estate and business transactions, including regulatory compliance, permitting, and contaminated site remediation
- Solar and renewable energy initiatives

George practices in the area of environmental law, including contaminated site cleanups, environmental permitting, solid waste and hazardous waste permitting and management, environmental regulatory violations and other disputes, and renewable energy initiatives including solar energy projects. He has significant experience in land use and zoning issues and litigation.

George advises clients on complex transactional and regulatory environmental issues, including those associated with the investigation and remediation of environmental contamination, A-901 solid waste licensing, and sustainable development. His work encompasses the management of environmental issues in real estate and business transactions, the oversight of transactional due diligence activities, and the drafting and negotiation of contracts. He assists clients with risk management counseling and in achieving compliance with obligations under federal and state statutes including the New Jersey Industrial Site Remediation Act (ISRA), the Spill Compensation and Control Act (Spill Act), and the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). He also provides guidance on issues associated with development in New Jersey's wetlands and flood hazard areas and advises on permitting requirements under Title V of the Clean Air Act.

George advocates on behalf of clients with regulatory agencies including the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and coordinates activities with environmental consultants, Licensed Site Remediation Professionals (LSRPs), title companies, insurers and other professionals. He also represents clients in adjudicatory hearings, regulatory inspections and related enforcement actions.

As a litigator, George has appeared in state and federal courts, at arbitration hearings, and before municipal planning and zoning boards. His experience includes cases involving environmental, energy/renewable resources, sustainable development, land use, and real estate issues, as well as resolving commercial and business disputes.

Areas of Focus

Practice Areas

- Environmental
- A-901 Solid Waste Permitting
- Air Permitting
- Brownfield Cleanup & Redevelopment
- Contractual Allocation of Environmental Risks
- Environmental Compliance & EHS
- Environmental Due Diligence
- Environmental Issues in Lending Transactions
- Environmental Land Use Permitting
- Federal & State Superfund & Lien Laws
- Environmental Government Enforcement Actions
- ISRA & Other Transaction-Triggered Environmental Laws
- Reimbursement & Financing of Cleanup Costs
- Remediation of Contaminated Properties
- Energy & Renewable Resources
- Environmental Issues in Real Estate Transactions & Redevelopment
- Data Center Development & Infrastructure

Industries

- Energy, Public Utilities & Solid Waste
- Real Estate
- Regulated Products

Credentials

Bar Admissions

- New Jersey, 2003
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, 2003
- New York, 2004
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of New York, 2022

Education

- Fordham University School of Law, J.D., 2003
- Skidmore College, B.S., 1998

Recognition

- Listed in *Super Lawyers - New Jersey Rising Stars* (a Thomson Reuters business) in the Environmental practice area (2011)

Clerkships

- Former law clerk to The Honorable Barbara A. Curran, Superior Court of New Jersey, Civil Division, Hudson County (2003 - 2004)

Experience

Representative Matters

- The firm is serving as New Jersey counsel to a leading sustainable infrastructure investment firm in the acquisition, financing, and development of fuel cell, solar, and battery storage projects supporting high-demand data centers, with project investments exceeding \$200 million.
- The firm's ongoing representation of a powerhouse entity in New Jersey and New York's commercial real estate sectors includes negotiating rooftop solar leases and transmission easements for community solar projects and advising on regulatory compliance and project development across the client's commercial portfolio.
- Represented a global medical equipment manufacturer in environmental permitting, ISRA compliance, and international corporate reorganizations, including resolution of Clean Water Act disputes resulting in \$20-\$50 million in avoided compliance costs.
- Representing a publicly traded telecommunications company and its affiliates in developing a landfill-based community solar facility in Voorhees, securing NJDEP, NJBPU, and utility approvals and managing complex interconnection and waste-law compliance issues.
- Advising a commercial facility services company and private equity investor on A-901 licensing and regulatory compliance in connection with acquisitions and expansion of solid waste and mechanical services businesses in New Jersey.

Published Cases

- In *Stahl v. Bauer Auto., Inc.* (2019), secured summary judgment on behalf of the defendant, an automotive repair facility, dismissing federal environmental liability claims asserted by a neighboring landowner under CERCLA. The ruling by the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey eliminated cleanup liability and litigation exposure for our client.
- In *Morgan Stanley Services Corp. v. NJDEP* (2011) before the New Jersey Appellate Division, successfully reinstated a favorable No Further Action (NFA) determination for a corporate client after the NJDEP improperly rescinded approval, preserving the client's ability to proceed with redevelopment and avoid additional remediation obligations.

Affiliations

Memberships

- New Jersey State Bar Association: Environmental Law Section (former Board of Directors); Corporate Sustainability, Cleantech, and Climate Change Special Committee
- Commercial Real Estate Development Association, New Jersey (CREDA NJ): Regulatory Affairs Committee
- New Jersey Business & Industry Association: Energy & Environmental Policy Committee

Other Activities

- Chatham Township Environmental Commission (2012-2014)

Personal

- BSA Troop 280, Assistant Scoutmaster, Chatham, NJ
- BSA Patriot's Path Council, Merit Badge Counselor
- Recipient of a 2024 Good Scout Award from the Patriots' Path Council Boy Scouts of America in recognition of his community service activity
- Recipient of Fishawack Finest Award (BSA Scouts Patriot's Path Council)
- Recipient of Archibald R. Murray Award for Public Service (Fordham University)

Insights & More

Announcements

[George Crimmins Honored by Patriots Path Council of the Boy Scouts of America](#)

6.09.24

[George W. Crimmins Joins Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis as Counsel](#)

4.20.23

Client Alerts

NJDEP's New Site Remediation Rule Proposal Contains Controversial New Reporting Requirements

3.10.25

NJDEP's Newly Adopted Amendments to Ground Water Quality Standards Will Significantly Impact Ongoing Remediation Projects in New Jersey

2.14.25

Proposed Amendments to Ground Water Quality Standards Could Significantly Impact Ongoing Remediation Projects in New Jersey

2.27.24

Seminars & Events

Energy and Environment Policy Committee Meeting

5.26.25