

Environment law

The environment and the effect we have on it are high profile and emotive topics.

Heightened public awareness of the environment and concern for its protection has led to increasing regulation and compliance requirements.

This results in a need for businesses to assess the impact of their operations on the environment, to understand their new obligations and to review and, where necessary, modify their working practices.

In this increasingly important and complex area of the law, B P Collins has over 20 years' experience advising clients in relation to all stages of the waste cycle including producer responsibility, transfer of waste, recycling and means of disposal.

We provide an exceptional service for waste to energy clients involved in a range of renewables projects, as well as acting on contentious matters involving water pollution, contaminated land and nuisance issues and environmental issues in corporate and property transactions.

We also have the resources to advise on how this evolving area of law can impact on your business activities, providing guidance on risk management.

In order to deliver best value to our clients, our cross-practice environment team understands the need to provide sound legal advice allied to pragmatic commercial solutions.

This co-operative and conscientious group is hailed by clients for "its willingness to work within incredibly tight deadlines to meet our needs."

This team is well respected for its waste and energy-related environmental work.

The firm has an enviable client list.

Chambers UK, A Client's Guide to the Legal Profession

David Pritchard is recommended for his 'clarity of thought and tactical awareness'.

The Legal 500 UK Edition



Your team

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Our experience includes:

- Contaminated land
- Energy and power generation
- Environmental appeals and compliance
- Environmental due diligence, risk insurance, licensing and permitting
- Food manufacturing and distribution
- Healthcare and clinical waste
- Landfill tax
- Lender liability
- Mineral extraction
- Producer responsibility
- Property development
- Statutory nuisance
- Trans Frontier Shipments of Waste Regulations, the Waste of Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE) Regulations and the Packaging Waste Regulations
- Warranties and indemnities
- Waste management, Materials Recycling Facilities (MRFs), landfills, transfer stations, waste collection and transportation
- Water pollution

The team has particular strengths in negotiating complex environmental warranties and indemnities.

We are routinely involved in environmental due diligence relating to contamination, noise abatement, licensing, duty of care obligations and other compliance related issues and work with clients on environmental risk assessment and apportioning risk in relation to potential and known pollution issues.

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