GEORGE Y. SUGIYAMA

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2014-present—Principal, The Sugiyama Group

Consulting with pro bono clients on environmental regulatory and legislative issues. This includes, comments on EPA proposed rules and guidance, helping develop legislation and legislative strategies. (Currently not a registered lobbyist.)

2012-2014—Counsel, Troutman and Sanders LLP

Develop practice coordinate with Headquarters and regional offices. Have been predominantly working on Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act issues which have included litigation, commenting on proposed EPA regulations, commenting and proposing legislation.

2009-2012—Chief Minority Counsel
Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (EPW)

Provide legal and policy advice to the Ranking Member and the EPW minority staff. Coordinate and oversight legal issues within the Committee's jurisdiction (EPA and all associated statutes as well as administrative law). Prepare and review legislation, prepare hearing statements, provide advice on administrative law issues and be the minority staff's resource on administrative law. Focus on EPA oversight issues and coordinate with other senators' offices.

2007-2009—ATTORNEY-ADVISOR
Counsel to Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C.

Provide legal and policy advice on a variety of Clean Air Act regulatory and permitting issues. Major issues included; global warming/climate change, PSD, NAAQS standards, NSPS and MACT standards, peer review, GHG auto standards, evaluate SIPs for nonattainment areas. Developed Endangered Species Act consultation policy with Interior and NOAA. Worked as the Assistant Administrator's lead on Yucca Mountain environmental standards. Provided administrative law advice including, FOIA, information collection, small business, regulatory development. Analyze issues, coordinate with the program offices and represent the Assistant Administrator as delegated.

1994 -2006— PARTNER
Dorsey & Whitney LLP, Washington, D.C.

Practice area is environmental law (Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, TSCA, and RCRA). Significant areas of activity include compliance counseling and auditing, permitting, due diligence reviews of major transactions, regulatory development, legislation and enforcement defense. Clients include major industrial companies (steel, refining, utility) and trade associations. Managing Partner of Washington Office in charge of non-legal staff headed by an administrative officer, responsible for recruiting legal staff, coordinating local office issues with Headquarters (Minneapolis)and other offices (12 regional offices). Work with attorneys and partners on practice development and conflicts. Was not relieved of any responsibilities associated with personal legal practice, e.g., practice growth and billing requirements.

1986-1994--PARTNER (1990)
Pillsbury Madison & Sutro, (Pillsbury Winthop) Washington, D.C.

Practice area is environmental law (Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, TSCA, and RCRA). Significant areas of activity include compliance counseling and auditing, permitting, due diligence reviews of major transactions, regulatory development, legislation and enforcement defense. Member of Washington Office management committee (3-members).

1984-1986--SUPERVISOR
Office of Policy Analysis and Review, Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Washington, D.C.
Supervisor for a staff of policy analysts. Major responsibilities: development of lead phase-down and tall stacks regulations, review major SIP revisions and NAAQS development, responsible for air issues related to Superfund, hazardous waste disposal, drinking water, ocean incineration, the Toxic Substances Control Act, and the Clean Water Act. EPA representative to Surgeon General's Inter-Agency Advisory Committee on Smoking and Health.

1982-1984--POLICY ANALYST
Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, EPA
Provided legal and policy expertise on a broad range of air pollution and energy issues. Was the in-house expert on the Clean Air Act and on EPA Acid Rain Task Force. As part of the integrated Environmental Management Program developed toxic air pollutant control plans for major cities.

1979-1982—POLICY ANALYST
Office of Air and Radiation (OAR), EPA On the policy staff of the Assistant Administrator.
Issues handled included: Clean Air Act legal authority to deal with acid rain, the air quality impacts of coal-fired power plants, and energy emergency waivers. Responsible for administering the OAR peer review process.

1976-1979--ATTORNEY-ADVISOR
Office of Enforcement, Mobile Source Enforcement Division, EPA
Attorney, State and Local Control Programs Section. Task force leader, Fuel and Additive Waiver Task Force. Developed EPA decisions to ban the use of MMT and to allow the use of Gasohol and other fuel additives. Responsible for developing enforcement strategies.

Attorney, Fuels Section. Responsible for regulatory development and enforcement of the lead phase down program. Also responsible for the enforcement of the fuel additive registration program.

EDUCATION:
1976 J.D., University of Maryland
1970-73 Graduate Studies in Chemistry, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa
1970 B.A., Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. Major: Chemistry

AWARDS:
EPA Superior Performance Award: 2008
EPA Silver Medal: 1983, 1984
Cash Awards: 1978, 1983, 1985
Outstanding Performance Evaluation: 1981-1985
Maryland Law Review: 1973

MEMBERSHIPS:
Bar: Maryland, 1976; D.C., 1989
Air and Waste Management Association
American Association for the Advancement of Science
Editorial Advisory Board, "Environmental Forum" (former member)
Member, EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, 1991-1993

REFERENCES:
References will be supplied upon request.