



DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND OF COUNSEL

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Director of Government Affairs Ana D. Schwab works with communities, special districts and stakeholders on matters regarding water, wastewater, environmental and infrastructure issues. Ana draws on her years of experience working in Washington, D.C. to track, advance and guide the development of legislative and regulatory language to build solutions for clients. Ana utilizes the nexus of legal, policy, funding and regulatory processes to advance clients' goals.

Accomplishments include playing an instrumental role in the passage of land transfer legislation and amendments to legislation regarding primary water and infrastructure funding and regulatory policy, as well as other pieces of legislation and amendments. Additionally, Ana secured federal funding for water, wastewater and recycling projects. She works with key stakeholders on developing funding and infrastructure solutions for cross-border water pollution.

Before joining Best Best & Krieger LLP, Ana served as a legislative coordinator and legislative assistant at two national law firms. She also served as professional staff for two members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Professional & Community Involvement

- National Water Resources Association, Water Quality Task Force, Vice Chair, 2023
- Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, Board Member

CORE PRACTICES

Environmental Law & Natural Resources
Government Affairs
Municipal Law
Special Districts
Water

- Pickerel-Crooked Lake Association, Board Member

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

Georgetown University School of Law, J.D.

University of Vermont, B.A.

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

Maryland

LANGUAGES

English

Thought Leadership

Presentations

- "Federal Priorities Panel," Association of California Water Agencies, Washington D.C., Feb. 27, 2024
- "2024 Water Reuse Policy Outlook," WaterReuse WebCast, Jan. 17, 2024
- "Navigating the PFAS Lawsuits: From Litigation to Compensation," Association of California Water Agencies, Nov. 30, 2023
- "Litigation Update," National Water Resources Association Annual Conference and Leadership Forum, Nov. 8, 2023
- "PFAS Hazardous Chemical Designation," US Conference of Mayors Water Council Meeting, Oct. 19, 2023
- "PFAS Update," Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys and the Government Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan Summer Education Conference, Jun. 24, 2023

- "PFAS, It's Such a Hot Topic, It's Toxic!" International Municipal Lawyers Association's Mid-Year Seminar, WONK Breakfast, Apr. 23, 2023
- "PFAS," Colorado Water Congress Annual Convention Workshop, Jan. 25, 2023
- "Federal Purse Strings: Best Practices for the Uniform Guidance and Beyond," International Municipal Lawyers Association's Annual Conference, WONK Breakfast, Oct. 21, 2022
- "Supreme Court Hears Arguments Challenging EPA Regulatory Authority over Waters of the United States (WOTUS)," The United States Conference of Mayors, Water Council, Oct. 14, 2022
- "Regulatory Status of PFOS/PFOA: EPA Proposes to Declare a Hazardous Waste," The United States Conference of Mayors, Water Council, Oct. 14, 2022
- "Federal Funding Opportunities: Update on Congressional Appropriations and Biden Administration Distribution Plans; An Inside The Beltway Perspective On Prospects For Additional Water Infrastructure Funding," Law Seminars International Seminar, Water Infrastructure Development Funding, Groundwater Sustainability Implementation in California, July 29, 2022
- "Water in Washington Panel," Association of California Water Agencies, Washington D.C. Water Conference, July 13, 2022
- "Spending Uncle Sam's Money: A How-To Guide For Local Procurement When Using Federal Funding," California Lawyers Association Public Law Section Webinar, June 23, 2022
- "Virtual Roundtable Discussion on Federal Funding," Association of California Water Agencies Webinar, June 15, 2022
- "Environmental Regulation and Implementation," Federal Water Issues Conference, National Water Resources Association, May 9, 2022
- "Roundtable Discussion - Accessing Federal Funding," Association of California Water Agencies Spring Conference, May 4, 2022
- "Creative Strategies for American Rescue Plan Act Funds," International Municipal Lawyers Association's Mid-Year Seminar, Apr. 9, 2022
- "American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Key Implementation, Compliance and Reporting Guidelines," BB&K Webinar, Sept. 14, 2021
- "Now That You Have ARPA Funds – What's Next?" BB&K Webinar, June 23, 2021
- "Inside Washington," 89th Annual Virtual Conference, National Water Resources Association, Nov. 12, 2020
- "Tax Reform: What D.C.'s Actions Could Mean for Public Agencies," BB&K Webinar, Nov. 1, 2017
- "There's a Lot Going on in Water Quality Law!" California Stormwater Quality Association's 13th Annual Conference, Sept. 25, 2017