
Erik Schlenker-Goodrich
WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER

COURT ADMISSIONS

State of New Mexico, U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico, U.S. Tenth Circuit
Court of Appeals, U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D., 1999

- Certificate of Completion in Environmental & Natural Resources Law Program.
- Certificate of Completion in Pro Bono Law Program.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, B.S., 1996

- Degree obtained from Department of Natural Resources, with a concentration in American Indian Studies.
- Member of Akwe:kon, the American Indian Program House, and Community Unity, a community service organization.

EXPERIENCE

WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER, Taos, New Mexico, 2003-present.
Executive Director (since 2012), Climate and Energy Program Director (2006-2012),
Attorney (since 2003)

- Manage leading public interest environmental law firm with 27 staff and \$3 million+ annual budget, overseeing all aspects of the organization including strategic planning, fundraising, governance, budgeting, personnel oversight, and strategic outreach and coalition building.
- Provide full range of legal and policy services to community and nonprofit conservation organizations at national, regional, state, and local levels pertaining to environmental and natural resources law.
- Responsible for organization-wide strategic legal and policy efforts across the Western U.S., with particular focus in climate change, fossil fuels, public lands, and water quality.

THE WILDERNESS SOCIETY, Washington, D.C., 2000-2003

Legal Fellow & Policy Analyst

- Provided in-house legal counsel to national nonprofit conservation organization pertaining to environmental and natural resources law with a focus on federal public land management.
- Provided legal and policy advice to national, regional, state, and local allies.
- Responsible for researching and publishing analyses and citizen guides pertaining to environmental and natural resources law to advance strategic priorities.

ERIK SCHLENKER-GOODRICH, ESQ., Eugene, Oregon, 1999-2000

Attorney at Law

- Provided legal services to community and nonprofit conservation groups pertaining to environmental and natural resources law.
- Specific projects involved wildlife protection and collaborative forest management.
