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EXPERIENCE:

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, New York, NY

Sept. 2002 – present

Senior Attorney, Water Program (May 2010 – present). Develop and implement advocacy strategies, at the local, state, regional and national levels, to promote sustainable urban water management in the United States. Use litigation, lobbying, administrative advocacy on permitting and rulemaking, technical analysis, coalition-building, and public engagement to enforce, strengthen, and defend key environmental laws, including the Clean Water Act and Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, and ensure all people have affordable access to safe and sufficient water, wastewater, and stormwater services.

Project Attorney, Water & Oceans Programs (Sept. 2004 – May 2010). Advocated for stronger policies concerning coastal water pollution and oceans protection, including through state and federal litigation under the Clean Water Act and National Environmental Policy Act, administrative adjudications and informal administrative advocacy, legislative drafting and lobbying, and coalition-building.

Litigation Fellow (Sept. 2002 – Aug. 2004). Researched and drafted court filings in cases arising under the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act, Toxic Substances Control Act, and other environmental laws in state and federal court; presented oral argument; developed new cases.

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC Aug. 2000 - Aug. 2002

Staff Attorney/Graduate Fellow, Institute for Public Representation. Represented and counseled community groups on local environmental issues, with environmental justice focus, in state and federal courts and administrative fora. Supervised law clinic students' research and writing.

EDUCATION:

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC

Master of Laws (L.L.M.), 2002

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT

Juris Doctorate (J.D.), 2000

TULANE UNIVERSITY, New Orleans, LA.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), cum laude, Philosophy and Political Science, 1997

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PUBLICATIONS:

Getting the Green Out: Key Findings and Recommendations from NRDC Workshops on Green Stormwater Infrastructure on Commercial Property (NRDC 2015). Project Design and Development. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/getting-green-out-key-findings-and-recommendations-nrdc-workshops-promoting-green

Waste Less, Pollute Less: Using Urban Water Conservation to Advance Clean Water Act Compliance (NRDC 2014). Author. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/waste-less-pollute-less-using-urban-water-act-compliance

Using State Revolving Funds to Build Climate-Resilient Communities (NRDC 2014). Co-author. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/using-state-revolving-funds-build-climate-resilient-communities

The Green Edge: How Commercial Property Investment in Green Infrastructure Creates Value (NRDC 2013). Project Design and Development. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/green-edge-how-commercial-property-investment-green-infrastructure-creates-value

Rooftops to Rivers II: Green Strategies for Controlling Stormwater and Combined Sewer Overflows (NRDC, 2011 & 2013). Contributing author. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/rooftops-rivers-ii-green-strategies-controlling-stormwater-and-combined-sewer-overflows

Creating Clean Water Cash Flows: Developing Private Markets for Green Stormwater Infrastructure in Philadelphia (NRDC 2013). Co-author. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/creating-clean-water-cash-flows-developing-private-markets-green-stormwater-infrastructure

Financing Stormwater Retrofits in Philadelphia and Beyond (NRDC 2012). Co-author. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/financing-stormwater-retrofits-philadelphia-and-beyond

In Fracking's Wake: New Rules are Needed to Protect Our Health and Environment from Contaminated Wastewater (NRDC 2012). Project Design and Development. https://www.nrdc.org/resources/frackings-wake-new-rules-are-needed-protect-our-health-and-environment-contaminated

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SELECTED RECENT TESTIMONY:

Testimony Before the U.S. House of Representatives, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, Hearing Entitled "Building a 21st Century Infrastructure for America: Improving Water Quality Through Integrated Planning." May 18, 2017. https://transportation.house.gov/UploadedFiles/2017-05-18 - Levine Testimony.pdf

Testimony Before the New York City Council Committee on Environmental Protection at a Hearing on the FY 2018 Preliminary Budget, Mayor's FY '17 Preliminary Management Report, and Agency Oversight. March 23, 2017.

Testimony Before the New Jersey Assembly, Environment and Solid Waste Committee, in Support of A. 4415, Requiring Water Purveyors to Conduct Water Loss Audits. Feb. 23, 2017.

Statement of the Natural Resources Defense Council Before the New York City Water Board Concerning Proposed Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges. May 12, 2016.

BAR ADMISSIONS:

State of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS:

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