



American Bar Association
Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources
Environmental Enforcement and Crimes Committee



Presents a "Quick Teleconference" program
This program will not offer CLE credit

***Criminal Enforcement of Environmental Laws: An Interview
with the Department of Justice's Top Prosecutor,
Stacey Mitchell***

Thursday, June 26, 2008

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Eastern Time / 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Central Time
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Mountain Time / 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Pacific Time

Program Overview:

This Quick Teleconference will explore new developments and trends in the federal prosecution of environmental crimes. The program features the nation's top environmental prosecutor, Ms. Stacey Mitchell. Ms. Mitchell has served as Chief of the U.S. Department of Justice's Environmental Crimes Section since 2007, addressing a variety of important environmental crimes cases, including appellate challenges to the jurisdictional reach of the Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act.

Ms. Mitchell will provide practical advice about what makes a case subject to criminal enforcement and how and when to approach government attorneys about an ongoing EPA criminal investigation. She will also discuss her Section's priority areas and provide insights on recent developments. These include:

- Challenges to sentences under the Crime Victim's Rights Act
- Case selection and deferred prosecution agreements
- EPA's proposed pilot program for new owners who self-report violations
- Waiver of attorney client privilege
- Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act jurisdictional challenges

Educational Objective:

- Provide guidance on recognizing the types of environmental violations that may end up being viewed as potentially criminal and how to approach the government when a client becomes a suspect in an environmental crime investigation

Faculty:

Moderator:

Bruce Pasfield, Alston & Bird LLP, Washington, DC

Panelists:

Stacey Mitchell, Chief, Environmental Crimes Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC

Questions?

Questions for Ms. Mitchell can be emailed in advance to the Moderator, Bruce Pasfield, at bruce.pasfield@alston.com prior to, or sent during the course of the program .

