

Experienced. Connected. Resource-Rich.

Navigating the shifting, acronym-riddled landscape of environmental and energy law can be intimidating. Whether you're a municipality, a university, a manufacturer or a small business looking to buy or sell real estate, environmental concerns can loom large. Similarly, rapid changes in the energy industry and its regulatory climate compel clients to seek a strong legal partner—whether to assist in siting and permitting facilities for generating, transmitting, transporting and storing energy, or to defend against enforcement actions.

From our nine locations across New York State, Bond, Schoeneck & King is positioned to efficiently assess your needs and shepherd you through key processes. Where your project requires additional resources—experience in public finance, property valuation or environmental litigation, for example—we draw on other professionals at Bond to round out your team.

As Environmental and Energy Law Have Evolved, So Has Bond

Even before the federal Superfund was created in 1980, Bond attorneys had begun carving a niche in environmental law. As regulations have burgeoned and energy law has grown more complex, Bond has been on the scene, understanding the new rules and equipping clients to manage ever-increasing demands.

Our relationships with representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS) and other agencies and local boards encourage prompt attention to our clients' needs.

Bond serves clients in agribusiness, commercial lending, health care, higher education, manufacturing, municipalities, school districts, pharmaceuticals, real estate development and construction, and small business. Energy clients include generation facilities, service providers, regulated public utilities, and product and technology developers.

Why Choose Bond?

- **We're experienced.** As environmental and energy law have evolved, Bond has been proactive, staying abreast of new rules and anticipating clients' needs.
- **We're results-oriented.** We understand our clients' goals and how to work with regulators to achieve those goals, taking an assertive but respectful stance.
- **We're right-sized and responsive.** Bond is large enough to offer breadth and deep experience, but small enough to stay involved in smaller projects and routine matters.
- **We're proactive.** Clients who consult with us early in a project gain a better understanding of what's involved—potentially saving time, money and headaches.
- **We're well-connected.** Our insistence on cultivating relationships with municipalities, agencies, regulators and fellow members of the Bar means that when our clients need us to help get a deal done, we're poised to assist.
- **We're cost-sensitive.** Our experience and relationships allow us to work efficiently, respecting our clients' financial constraints.

Need a trusted ally to help handle complex regulatory demands? Look to Bond.

About Bond, Schoeneck & King

Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC serves individuals, companies and public-sector entities in a broad range of areas.

With 250 lawyers and 10 offices, we represent clients in manufacturing; agribusiness; commercial lending and real estate development and construction; energy; health care and long term care as well as municipalities, school districts, higher education and other exempt and nonprofit organizations. We maintain eight offices across New York; one in Naples, Florida; and one in Kansas City.

Bond is committed to understanding our clients' needs and providing comprehensive, practical, high-quality and responsive solutions. We strive to maintain the highest professional and ethical standards, and to provide leadership in community activities, pro-bono work and service to the Bar.

For more information, visit bsk.com.

Our Core Services Include:

- Air quality
- Article VII gas and electric transmission siting
- Article 10 power-plant siting
- Asbestos
- Biomass projects
- Business and real estate transactions
- CERCLA and NYS Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Law
- Compliance auditing and enforcement consulting
- Defense of enforcement actions
- Electricity transmission
- Environmental toxic tort litigation
- Federal and state environmental impact assessments
- Hazardous waste, particularly remediation and real estate transfer
- Landfills
- Mining and mineral extraction
- Natural gas and liquid petroleum gas transmission, distribution and storage
- Oil extraction, transportation and storage
- PCBs
- Petroleum contamination
- Pipelines
- Radiation safety
- Sand and gravel mines, rock and mineral quarries, asphalt and concrete plants
- Solid waste
- State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) including Final Environmental Impact Statements (FEIS)
- Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)
- Wastewater treatment
- Water quality, particularly storm water and discharges to publicly owned treatment works (POTW)
- Wetlands
- Wind, solar and hydro energy
- Zoning and land use

We're also skilled in matters involving:

- Clean Air Act, particularly Title V permitting
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- New York State Navigation Law
- Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)
- Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC)
- State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) Permitting
- Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)

The Company We Keep

Our leadership and membership activities in the following professional organizations bring a wealth of knowledge and goodwill to our clients' projects:

- New York State Bar Association, Environmental Law Section
- Air & Waste Management Association of Central New York (A&WMA)
- American Wind Energy Association (AWEA)
- Business Council of New York State, Environment Committee and Energy Committee
- Central New York Land Trust
- Independent Oil and Gas Association of New York (IOGA of NY)
- Independent Power Producers of New York (IPPNY)
- Manufacturers Association of Central New York (MACNY)
- New York State Association for Solid Waste Management (NYSASWM)
- New York Construction Materials Association
- New York Planning Federation (NYPF)
- New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA)
- New York State Chemistry Council
- New York State Wetlands Forum (NYSWF)
- U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) New York Upstate Chapter

Our Team

The Chambers USA guide ranks Bond's team—a core of a dozen lawyers—among the best for environmental law. Chambers specifically cites Kevin Bernstein's work on permitting matters, gas storage, power generation and mining issues; Barry Kogut's experience in brownfield development and regulatory compliance and enforcement; and Virginia Robbins' knowledge of water and air matters.

Bond attorneys have served as chairs of the Environmental Law Section of the New York State Bar Association.

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