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Ben represents clients in the mining, power generation, and agricultural industries in complex environmental litigation and regulatory challenges.

Ben assists clients through all phases of litigation, from case development and discovery to dispositive motions and appeals in both state and federal courts. His experience includes handling commercial and natural resource disputes, CERCLA contribution actions, and water rights issues, with a particular focus on challenges to large infrastructure projects.

Before joining Holland & Hart, Ben was an associate at Perkins Coie in Phoenix, where he worked in the Environmental Litigation practice. He previously served as a law clerk at Noble Law Office in Yuma, Arizona, focusing on Colorado River water law and policy issues affecting Arizona agricultural interests.

PRACTICES

Federal Lands Permitting
Environmental Litigation
Environmental
Site Remediation
Water Resources

INDUSTRIES

Energy and Resources
Mining
Renewable Energy and Storage
Conventional Power

EDUCATION

Arizona State University - Sandra Day
O'Connor College of Law, J.D., 2023
summa cum laude

Texas A&M University, B.S.
Environmental Studies, 2020
summa cum laude

BAR ADMISSIONS

Arizona
Colorado

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth
Circuit
U.S. District Court for the District of
Arizona
U.S. District Court for the District of
Colorado

EXPERIENCE

- Environmental litigation and regulatory matters
- Federal lands permitting and infrastructure development
- CERCLA contribution actions and site remediation
- Clean Water Act (and state equivalents) permitting and compliance
- Natural resource disputes, including water rights matters
- Interstate Colorado River water management and policy
- Complex written discovery and document review
- Dispositive motions and appellate briefs
- Oral advocacy and deposition strategy and preparation

PUBLICATIONS

"Siting Energy and Transmission Line Projects in Arizona," *Holland & Hart and SWCA Guide*, July 10, 2025

"SCOTUS Reins In NEPA: A Game-Changer for Infrastructure Development," *Holland & Hart NEPA Update*, June 3, 2025

"A Cautionary Tale: EPA Lists PFOA and PFOS as Hazardous

Substances," *Law.com*, May 22, 2024

"What Nevada 'Superbasin' Ruling Means for Water Users," *Law360*, April 2, 2024

"Water Rights and Water Use of Coal Facilities in the Colorado River Basin," *KYL CTR. FOR WATER POL'Y & ASU LIGHTWORKS JUST ENERGY TRANSITION*, August, 2022

"Beyond All Drought: Improving Urban Water Conservation in the West through Integrative Water and Land Use Policy," *63 NAT. RES. J. 88*, 2022

RECOGNITION

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, Commercial Litigation, 2026