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Jennifer Gates is a shareholder at Pearl Legal Group and focuses her practice on environmental litigation, including cleanup disputes, natural resource damage claims, real estate transactions gone awry and permit and other regulatory violations. She also advises clients on RCRA and NPDES permit compliance. Jennifer provides efficient, cost effective and responsive service when helping clients identify a strategy to resolve environmental issues, and provides well-reasoned counsel regarding the risks and benefits of litigation. Prior to joining PLG in February 2016, Jennifer litigated environmental and business disputes as a partner at a Portland firm after practicing in Washington D.C. for four years. She received her J.D. from the University of Iowa in 2001 as well as a M.A. in Urban & Regional Planning. Outside of the office, Jennifer enjoys rowing with a crew on the Willamette River and backpacking with her family.

John Dunbar is a trial lawyer and litigator. His environmental experience includes cases under CERCLA, the Oregon Superfund law, the Oregon Environmental Cleanup Assistance Act, Washington's Model Toxics Control Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Clean Water Act. He practices at Larkins Vacura Kayser LLP, and past work includes clerking for U.S. District Judge Owen Panner and heading the special litigation unit at the Oregon Department of Justice, which frequently handles environmental disputes. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame and the University of Washington Law School.

Anzie St. Clair is an attorney at Larkins Vacura Kayser LLP, having recently transitioned to private practice from her role as in-house counsel at the Port of Portland. Her practice focuses on compliance, defense, cost recovery, and remediation under state and federal cleanup laws. She also advises clients on other complex environmental issues, civil litigation, public records law, as well as real estate transactions and disputes, including riparian boundaries. While at the Port, Anzie's work centered on the many aspects of the Portland Harbor Superfund Site, which was added to EPA's National Priorities List in 2000.