



Total Environmental Solutions

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Current Position

- **2003 – Present** Total Environmental Solutions, P.C.
- **President and Founder**
- A one stop shop for clients with environmental issues who want experienced and quality service at an affordable price.
- TES delivers the full range of a client's environmental needs, including legal services, consulting, engineering and laboratory testing.

Professional Qualifications

- **1999 – 2003** Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
- Deputy Director
- Manage several multi-disciplinary programs including legal counsel, pollution prevention, community relations, environmental education and emergency response.
- Lead the development and resolution of major case initiatives.
- Lead the development of major policy initiatives through the proposal and adoption of legislative and regulatory changes.
- Assist over hundreds of parties with compliance and case resolution both before and after referral to the Attorney General.
- Lead the development of compliance alternatives and innovation through the promotion and development of incentives for pollution prevention and environmental management systems.
- Lead the development of improved outreach efforts and assistance programs for the regulated community and neighbors.
- Co-Lead the negotiation of the state's annual contract with USEPA for funding of its delegated programs.

- **1995 – 1999** Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan
- Chief, Environmental Bureau
- Maintain an active caseload consisting primarily of high profile matters and hearings while assuming sole leadership responsibility.
- Increase number of case filings and resolutions while working with a reduced staff.
- Reduce the number of older unfiled and unresolved cases.
- Develop a management style that fosters team work and reasonable yet aggressive case resolutions.

- **1991 – 1995** Illinois Attorney General Roland Burris
- Deputy Chief, Environmental Control Division
- Maintain an active caseload while assuming shared leadership responsibility.
- Work on several high profile cases through District Court trials and appeals to the DC Circuit.
- Negotiate and draft several complex settlements resulting in some of the largest penalties ever obtained by the state.
- Lead negotiated settlements involving the General Assembly, the Governor's Office and

multi-billion dollar corporations.

- **1989 – 1991** Illinois Attorney General Neil Hartigan
- Assistant Attorney General
- Join the Environmental Control Division and immediately assume responsibility for 30+ active enforcement cases.
- Quickly develop expertise in environmental laws and regulations.
- Aggressively pursue several cases to resolution through negotiated settlements, preliminary injunction hearings and full trials on the merits.

Other Professional Experience

- **1987 – 1989** Silets & Martin
- Associate
- Represent clients in commercial litigation, real estate and corporate transactions and drafting trusts and wills.
- Develop a broad base of litigation and non-litigation experience.
- **1985 – 1987** Rooks Pitts & Poust
- Associate
- Represent clients in insurance defense and declaratory judgment actions.
- Develop trial practice skills by conducting depositions, propounding interrogatories and production requests, preparing pretrial motions and participating as second chair and lead counsel in several trials.
- **1984 – 1985** Circuit Court Judge James C. Murray
- Law Clerk
- Research and write judicial opinions for declaratory judgment and administrative review cases.

Education

- **1981 – 1984** Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri
- Juris Doctor
- Participate in school's Moot Court competition.
- **1977 – 1981** Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois
- BA Philosophy
- Associate Editor and Photographer for school newspaper.
- Photographer and columnist for alumni magazine.

Professional memberships

- American Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association

Additional

- Member of the Chicago Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Committee from 1992 to

professional
activities

1999.

- Member of the Illinois State Bar Association's Environmental Law Section Council from 2000 to 2008. Past Chair.
- Program Chair for the annual environmental conference, sponsored by the Environmental Law Section Council, 2001 to 2008.
- Treasurer of the Air and Waste Management Association, Lake Michigan Section
- Member of the Chemical Industry Council of Illinois

Interests and
activities

- Past President, Des Plaines Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America
- Eagle Scout
- Member, West Suburban Chamber of Commerce
- Member, City Club of Chicago
- Commercial Pilot with Instrument Rating
- President, Naperville Flying Club
- Amateur Drag Racer
- Former adult leader for church high school youth group