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With more than 30 years of legal experience and 15 years of environmental risk transfer consulting, George von Stamwitz has seen environmental risk in every conceivable business and regulatory context. As leader of the firm's Environmental practice area, he manages environmental litigation, compliance counseling and transactional matters.

George has designed and implemented over 50 environmental risk transfer transactions and provided tactical advice on numerous portfolios of impaired properties. Additionally, he is skilled in the development of alternative risk transfer mechanisms and utilizing the nontraditional insurance marketplace that can offer an economical substitute to traditional solutions.

In the Superfund area, George develops strategies and implements negotiations, rulemaking, legislation and relationships with neighbors and municipalities. He creates trust documents and efficient management systems, and is involved in all political, regulatory, legal and technical issues.

EDUCATION

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1982)
- Tufts University (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1979)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Missouri Bar
- Illinois Bar Association
- St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association (Vice Chairman, Environmental Committee, 1992-1993; Chairman, 1993-1994)
- Lex Mundi College of Mediators

ACCOLADES

- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers in Business* for Environmental Law, Band 1 (multiple years)
- Who's Who in Energy, American City Business Journals (2015)
- Received Legal Champions of the Year award from Missouri Lawyers Weekly (2013)

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Corporate
Environmental
Insurance Coverage Litigation
Litigation
Mergers and Acquisitions
Real Estate
Energy and Utilities
Real Estate, Development,
Construction
Manufacturing and Innovation

ADMISSIONS

Missouri
Illinois

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®; Lawyer of the Year, Environmental (2011)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®; Environmental Law and Water Law (20+ consecutive years, including the most recent edition)
- *Missouri/Kansas Super Lawyers*® (2008-present); *Super Lawyers*®, Business Edition (2011-2014)
- Profiled in St. Louis Business Journal's "Forty Great Ones" article (March 1996) recognizing 40 business leaders under the age of 40
- ABC National Public Service Award, American Bar Association (1995)
- Pro Bono Publico Award from The Missouri Bar (1994)
- Equal Justice Award, Legal Service of Eastern Missouri (1993)
- AV® Peer Review Rated, *Martindale-Hubbell*

BACKGROUND

George is a former law clerk to Chief Judge James L. Foreman, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois.

EXPERIENCE

Environmental Risk for Portfolio of Manufacturing Sites

Represented a party that accepted the environmental risk for a seven-site portfolio of manufacturing sites in the United States and Germany.

Environmental Risk Transfer for Mining Site

Represented the seller of a mining/Superfund site designed to shift all environmental risk for Superfund work to the buyer.

Risk Transfer for Two Former Coal-Fired Power Plants

Represented the risk transfer buyer of two former coal-fired power plants and negotiated the collateral package with insurers.

Superfund Site Involving PCB Contamination

Represented a steering committee responsible for resolving a Superfund site involving PCB contamination.

\$35 Million Sale of Industrial Site

Represented the seller in the complex sale of a 1,300-acre industrial property for \$35 million. The firm also represented the client in its purchase of the site three years earlier, which included handling several lawsuits inherited in the purchase.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

June 4, 2015

New Clean Water Act Rule Enlarges Regulatory Jurisdiction of EPA, Army Corps of Engineers

April 23, 2014

Is there a statute of limitation in government Clean Water Act Cases?