

## Natural Resources: Water

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's natural resources group includes the nation's premier water law practice. With a track record that includes the most significant and complex water projects and litigation in the nation, we are uniquely positioned to expertly handle any water resource issue, in any jurisdiction, nationwide. Our group understands the ins and outs of the acquisition, development, protection, disposition and regulation of any water supply. In short, we have the expertise to handle all aspects of a water matter, whether transactional, litigation or government relations.

### WHAT WE DO

#### TRANSACTIONAL

- Water rights and water supply acquisition and disposition
- Water supply and facility sharing agreements
- Infrastructure permitting, finance and development
- Development of private and public lands
- Public/private partnerships
- Water transfers
- Tribal water rights

#### REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

- Water rights acquisition, protection and development
- Local, state and federal permitting
- Environmental
- Utility compliance and rate-making
- Water quality and contamination

#### LITIGATION

- Administrative
- Expert witness
- Arbitration and mediation
- Judicial (writ practice, trial, appeal)

#### GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

- Ranked a top four federal lobbying firm (by revenue)
- State lobbying practices in: AZ, CA, CO, NM, NV

## Why We Do It Best

### Nationwide Reach and Expertise

- Partner with us, and you join forces with the national leader in solving large scale, complex, multiparty and first-of-its-kind water resource issues.
- With more than 20 attorneys and policy advisors working exclusively on water matters, you are quickly and powerfully supported, regardless of geography or the type or complexity of the water issue.
- Our team's experience on some of the most important water projects in the US establishes a proven track record of navigating and resolving difficult water resource problems.
- Extensive relationships provide you access to water industry insiders.

### Natural Resources Lawyers with Broad Expertise on Water Issues

- Our diverse client portfolio has allowed us to develop experience on all sides of a water problem and to develop deep understanding of the goals and objectives important to specific types of water issues.
- Clients regard us as vital partners – legal advisors, litigators, project managers and business counselors – because we understand the water business model and have unmatched experience in developing novel and creative solutions to any water supply or quality issue.
- Water issues are not one dimensional – we have expertise in the full spectrum of natural resources laws, rules and regulations affecting the use and development of water.
- We take a cross-disciplinary approach, routinely calling on our firm's environmental, real estate, land use, public agency and corporate attorneys to provide clients with complete legal solutions to water.

## Brownstein Is The Leader In . . .



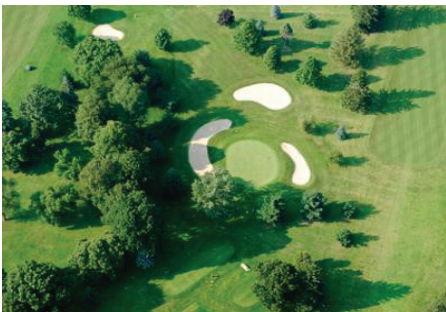
Developing and protecting reliable and cost efficient urban water supplies for public and private utilities, wholesale and retail water providers, public agencies, mutual water companies, and resource managers.



Securing and protecting adequate and reliable water supplies for farming operations.



Maximizing landowners' unique water rights and adding value to land ownership for ranches and other large landowners.



Advocating for the water supply needs of resorts, including ski areas and golf courses.



Securing water supplies for new development in the wake of ever diminishing resources and increasing regulatory and environmental constraints for residential and commercial builders and developers.



Maximizing water use efficiencies and ensuring regulatory compliance for industry, including: high tech; pharmaceutical companies; oil, gas, and mining; and clean energy.



Supporting public and private investment in complex water projects for banks and private equity funds.



Navigating the unique regulatory and environmental requirements associated with water use to achieve water users' goals while balancing environmental interests.



Representing the sovereign interests of states in their water resources.