



OF COUNSEL

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Miles B. H. Krieger is an of counsel in Best Best & Krieger LLP's Environmental Law & Natural Resources practice group.

Miles' practice focuses on state and federal environmental litigation and regulatory issues, with an emphasis on California water rights matters. Miles represents both public and private sector clients. His litigation experience includes:

- Water rights disputes, including tribal water rights
- Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
- Solid Waste Management Act
- Inverse condemnation
- Taxation issues involving tribal lands

Miles also has experience providing public and private clients with strategic legal and regulatory advice related to:

- California water law, including petitions to regional water quality control boards
- Water rights and allocation transfer agreements
- SB 88 water rights measuring and monitoring requirements
- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
- Williamson Act
- Water pipeline feasibility studies
- Clean Water Act

CORE PRACTICES

Environmental Law & Natural Resources

Environmental Litigation

Water

Municipal Law

Special Districts

Native American Law

In addition to litigation and regulatory work, Miles has served as a guest lecturer at California State University, San Marcos on the Public Trust Doctrine and California water law.

Miles earned his law degree from the University of Arizona, where he was a member of the *Arizona Law Review*. During law school, Miles interned with the Arizona Attorney General's Office Natural Resources Division, where he participated extensively in the Gila River navigability adjudication. In addition, Miles was selected to be a Sol Resnick Water Fellow to work with Professor Robert Glennon in exploring water law and regulation issues nationwide.

Miles also worked on environmental-related economic development projects for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe as a research assistant for Professor James Hopkins.

In addition to a law degree, Miles earned a master's degree in business administration from Eller College of Management at the University of Arizona.

Miles received a bachelor's degree from Wesleyan University, earning departmental honors in the College of Letters — an interdisciplinary program in philosophy, literature and history. Before attending law school, Miles taught English in Prague. In his free time, Miles enjoys tennis, golf and fly-fishing. Miles is admitted to the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

Thought Leadership

Publications

- "Ninth Circuit Requires Evidence of No Injury, Recognizes Forfeiture of Pre-1919 Arizona Water Rights," *BBKnowledge*, June 21, 2017

Presentations

- "Overview with Critical Detail," California Water Law & Policy Conference, Oct. 1, 2024
- "Tribal Water Rights Update," California Water Law & Policy Conference, Sept. 30, 2024
- "*Arizona v. Navajo Nation*: Tribal Water Rights at the U.S. Supreme Court," Argent Communications Group Annual California Water Law & Policy Conference, June 8, 2023
- "The Nature of Ownership of Native American Land and How Eminent Domain Procedures Are Different," Continuing Legal Education International's Annual Southern California Eminent Domain Conference, Mar. 3, 2022

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, J.D.

University of Arizona, Eller College of Management, MBA

Wesleyan University, B.A., philosophy, literature and history, with departmental honors

Bar Admissions

Arizona

California

LANGUAGES

English

German

- “Current Issues with the Clean Water Act,” HalfMoon Education California Water Laws and Regulation Seminar, Mar. 25, 2020