

OKLAHOMA WATER LAW

Goals for 2060 & Beyond

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Whether you're a lawyer, engineer, consultant, scientist, environmentalist, government employee, landowner or energy professional, you can't afford to miss the most important Conference of the year for Oklahoma water professionals!

Top experts from the public and private sectors will bring you the latest information on crucial issues like:

- **2015-2016 Regulatory Developments**
- **Water Reuse**
- **Definition of Waters of the US and the Clean Water Rule**
- **Contaminant Releases, Release Reporting and Remediation**
- **Conservation Opportunities Within the Law**
- **Oklahoma's Flood Control and Watershed Infrastructure**
- **Regional Water Planning**
- **New Irrigation Technologies**
- **Corps of Engineers Reservoir and Drought Management in Oklahoma**
- **Grand River Dam Authority Water Projects**
- ... and more!

The laws, policies and challenges surrounding Oklahoma water continue to change and evolve. Now in its 8th year, CLE International's Oklahoma Water Law Conference will give you the information you need to stay up-to-date and at the top of the field.

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Sincerely,



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Conference Location



The Skirvin Hilton

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The Skirvin Hilton is a historic hotel located in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City. For over a century, this landmark hotel has accommodated some of the world's most influential people and is now the go-to venue for business people, providing luxury and a highly efficient and effective work environment.

Monday, February 29

8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 Welcome and Introduction

Overview of Day One

Drew L. Kershen, Esq., Program Co-Chair
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9:15 Oklahoma Water Law Update

2015-2016 Regulatory Developments

Robert Singletary, Esq., General Counsel

Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Oklahoma City

10:15 Networking Break

10:30 Keynote Presentation

Weathering Extremes Through Smart Water Development

J. D. Strong, Executive Director

Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Oklahoma City

11:30 Oklahoma Drivers and Regulation Development for Wastewater Reuse

History and Future of Water Reuse Regulations

Michael J. Graves, Vice President/Water Team Leader

Garver, Norman

12:15 Lunch Break (On Your Own)

1:30 Definition of Waters of the US

A Legal Overview

D. K. "Ken" Williams Jr., Esq., Program Co-Chair

2:00 The Clean Water Rule

What You Need to Know

Courtney Carter, Esq., Attorney and

Scott Cordell, Esq., Attorney

Office of the General Counsel, Oklahoma Department of
Environmental Quality, Oklahoma City

3:00 Networking Break

3:15 Contaminant Releases, Release Reporting, and Remediation

The Science of Fate and Transport in Soil, Groundwater, Karst Systems, and Preferential Flow Pathways

Garey Fox, PhD, PE, D.WRE, Director

Oklahoma Water Resources Center

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Agricultural Engineering**

Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources
Oklahoma State University, Stillwater

The Law

Michael C. Wofford, Esq.

Doerner, Saunders, Daniel & Anderson, Oklahoma City

4:15 Oklahoma's Flood Control and Watershed Infrastructure

What is it? History of Oklahoma Flooding and Preventing It in the Future; Statutes and Pending Case Law

Janet Stewart, Esq., General Counsel

Oklahoma Conservation Commission, Oklahoma City

5:00 Adjourn

Tuesday, March 1

8:30 Continental Breakfast

8:55 Welcome Back

Overview of Day Two

Drew L. Kershen, Esq., Program Co-Chair

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9:00 Oklahoma City Conservation

Policies and Practices the City is Considering or Implementing for Conservation; Management of the Water System; Use of Water by Customers

Malarie Gotcher, Water Conservation Specialist

The City of Oklahoma City Utilities Department

9:45 Irrigation

New Technologies Relating to Irrigation Efficiency for the Purposes of Lowering Irrigation Costs and Conserving Water

**Tom Buchanan, Water for 2060 Advisory Council Member
Manager**

Lugert-Altus Irrigation District, Altus

10:30 Networking Break

10:45 Regional Water Planning

Regional Plans to Deal with Climate Change and with the Conservation Goals of the State of Oklahoma

Panhandle Regional Water Plan

Shawn Lepard, Senior Partner

Lepard Consulting, Oklahoma City

Northwest Oklahoma Water Action Plan

Duane Smith, President

Duane Smith & Associates, Oklahoma City

12:00 Lunch Break (On Your Own)

1:15 Corps of Engineers Reservoir and Drought Management in Oklahoma

Operation of Federal Reservoirs, Legal Authorities, and the Corps' Water Supply Mission; Water Storage Contracts; Partnerships with the State and Tribes to Provide Technical Assistance to the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan; Management of Reservoirs During Drought; The MKARNS Navigation System in Oklahoma

Keith J. Klein, Esq., Tulsa District Counsel

US Army Corps of Engineers, Tulsa

2:00 Grand River Dam Authority Water Projects

Scope and Interrelationship with the OWRB and Oklahoma Water Law

Daniel S. Sullivan, CEO/Director of Investments

Grand River Dam Authority, Vinita

2:30 Networking Break

2:45 Water Conservation

Opportunities within Oklahoma Water Law

Drew L. Kershen, Esq., Program Co-Chair

3:45 Ethics

Issues for Environmental Law Practitioners

Kaylee Davis-Maddy, Esq.

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4:45 Evaluations and Adjourn

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PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS

Drew L. Kershen joined the University of Oklahoma College of Law faculty in 1971. He teaches courses on agricultural law, legal history, professional responsibility, and water rights. In recent years, Professor Kershen has focused his teaching, research, and lecturing on agricultural biotechnology law and policy. He is a member of the Oklahoma Water Law Advisory Commission and has authored more than 40 book chapters, grant reports, and law review articles.

Kaylee Davis-Maddy focuses her practice on environmental and healthcare clients and their needs, including regulatory matters, transactions, and civil litigation. She has represented clients including municipalities, government entities, small-businesses, and corporations. Before joining the firm, Ms. Davis-Maddy worked as an Assistant Public Defender for the Oklahoma County Public Defender's office.

D. K. "Ken" Williams Jr. has 38 years of experience in the areas of environmental, municipal law, natural resources, real estate and renewable energy law. He has been named a *Best Lawyer in America* in Litigation-Environmental and an *Oklahoma Super Lawyer* in Energy & Natural Resources. In addition, he received a 2012 President's Award by the Tulsa County Bar Association for his work as Chair of the Fee Arbitration Committee and in 2013 he was named to the "Power Attorneys & Legal Professionals" list by the *Tulsa Business & Legal News*.

KEYNOTE PRESENTER

J. D. Strong was named Executive Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in October 2010. He previously served as Oklahoma's Secretary of Environment, where he coordinated activities of the Environmental Cabinet, including the Department of Environmental Quality, Water Resources Board, and Department of Wildlife Conservation. Under his leadership, the OWRB updated the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan, a 50-year water supply assessment and policy strategy to meet Oklahoma's future water needs. Mr. Strong represents Oklahoma on the Western States Water Council and Chairs its Water Quality Committee, and also serves as Oklahoma's Commissioner on four Congressionally-approved interstate water Compact Commissions.

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