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AT LEWIS & CLARK LAW SCHOOL

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## Join Us on May 30th for an Ethical Examination of Trump's Cabinet Members

[Swamp Ethics: An Examination of Trump's Environmental and Energy Cabinet Members through an Oregon Ethical Lens](#)

**Wednesday, May 30**

**12:00PM - 1:00PM**

**Vestas - 1417 NW Everett St, Portland**



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Several of Trump's cabinet members have come under scrutiny for scandals that raise serious ethical concerns. Recent news coverage has elucidated issues ranging from EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt's sweetheart rental arrangement with a fossil fuel lobbyist, to Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke's government-funded travel expenses to attend meetings with donors, and Secretary of Energy Rick Perry's agenda secretly provided to him by an energy company. Imagine these and other members of the Trump Administration's environmental and energy agencies were licensed lawyers in Oregon. Would any of their actions raise ethical concerns under Oregon law? If so, which ones? What remedies are available, if any? If not, what does that say about Oregon's ethics rules?

Please join the Green Energy Institute at [Vestas corporate offices](#) on Wednesday, May 30, for a lively discussion of ethical obligation and accountability under the Trump Administration. This CLE seminar will explore the actions of President Trump's environmental, energy, and natural resources agency appointees and ask ethics experts to weigh in on whether the actions of these agency leaders would violate Oregon's ethics rules. We will be applying for 1.0 ethics MCLE credit from the Oregon State Bar. Lunch and beverages will be provided. **Space is limited, so please register today.**



## "Environmental Law Under Trump" Symposium on April 6 Illuminated Impact of Trump Administration Policies and Rollbacks

President Trump is reshaping environmental law and policy. From withdrawing from the Paris climate accord and slashing the Environmental Protection Agency's budget, to threats to reverse the national monument status for certain public lands, Trump's presidency foreshadows drastic changes in the role of the federal government in addressing pressing environmental challenges. Lewis & Clark Law School's "Environmental Law Under Trump" symposium on April 6 brought together academics, practitioners, concerned citizens, and students to discuss the impact of the administration on laws related to public lands, pollution, climate and air quality, and biodiversity. The symposium panels included both law professors and practitioners from around the country. GEI Director Melissa Powers participated on the Climate and Air panel in the afternoon, joined by Professor Ann Carlson, Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law, Faculty Co-Director, Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, UCLA and Professor Michael Gerrard, Columbia Law School. [Visit Lewis & Clark Law School's website for a full list of speakers and access to presentation slides.](#)

## Pedal Pursuit a Big Success (and a Ton of Fun!)

GEI's team, Super Charged, participated in Pedal Pursuit on April 8th! The annual adventure bike race with trivia, physical challenges, and a clue-based course raises funds for the [Northwest Environmental Defense Center](#) (NEDC). Though we weren't able to snag first place, we had a blast participating and encourage anyone who missed it to join us next year! Congratulations to NEDC for hosting such a fun and successful event.



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