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# Perkins Coie Adds Highly Regarded Environmental and Natural Resources Partner Thomas Jensen in Washington, D.C.

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** (August 19, 2019) – Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Thomas Jensen, a nationally recognized environmental and natural resources law attorney, has joined the firm's Washington, D.C. office as a partner in the Environment, Energy & Resources (EER) practice.

Tom has extensive experience providing project development, permitting and regulatory counsel, and litigation support to diverse clients, including utilities, energy companies, natural resource companies and pipeline operators. He also has frequently worked on the environmental review and multi-jurisdictional permitting required for the development of large infrastructure projects.

"Tom is an exceptional attorney who is deeply immersed in environmental and natural resources law and has experience leading teams of lawyers working on complex environmental projects," said Karen McGaffey, Chair of Perkins Coie's EER practice. "He adds to our already substantial project development and infrastructure practice. We are excited to welcome a lawyer of Tom's standing to the Perkins Coie team."

Prior to entering private practice, Tom served as Majority Counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and as Associate Director for Natural Resources at the White House Council on Environmental Quality.

"Tom is a highly regarded environmental and natural resources attorney who has strong government relationships in Washington, D.C. and across the country," said Bruce Spiva, Managing Partner of Perkins Coie's Washington, D.C. office. "Tom's experience with major infrastructure projects will be of high value to the firm and our clients."

Tom joins Perkins Coie from Holland & Hart LLP. He earned his J.D. from the Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College and a B.A. in History from the University of Southern California.

Perkins Coie's EER practice includes more than 100 EER attorneys in offices across the United States and is widely recognized for its ability to help plan a project's development, secure the necessary permits in a timely manner, reduce the likelihood of litigation, and help facilitate post-development and ongoing compliance and regulatory contacts. Perkins Coie's EER attorneys also represent private companies and public agencies in the full range of environmental litigation matters. *Chambers USA* ranks the firm's environmental group as one of the nation's top practices. Perkins Coie's EER lawyers also have high ratings in *The International Who's Who of Environmental Lawyers*, *Super Lawyers* and *Best Lawyers*. Perkins Coie was named *U.S. News – Best Lawyers*. "Law Firm of the Year" in Natural Resources Law in both 2016 and 2019.

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