

Granta Nakayama

Partner

Environmental, Health and Safety



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Granta Nakayama specializes in energy and environmental issues. A partner in our Environmental practice with a focus on energy, Granta represents companies in a range of regulatory and enforcement matters.

With training as a nuclear engineer and more than a decade of experience as a practicing engineer and technical manager, Granta represents clients with products or services regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), along with state government agencies such as the California Air Resources Board. He defends companies in enforcement actions and litigation involving regulations and rate proceedings, and represents their interests in agency rulemakings and Congressional matters.

From 2005 to 2009, Granta served as Assistant Administrator for the EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance. In that role, he led 3,400 employees in a national enforcement and compliance program covering air, water, waste, toxic chemicals and pesticides. During his tenure, EPA achieved record annual pollutant reductions (more than 3 billion pounds) and injunctive relief (over \$11 billion).

The National Law Journal has recognized Granta as a 2016 "Energy and Environmental Trailblazer." He has been listed by *The Legal 500* every year since 2010, and was recognized as a "Hall of Famer" in both the environmental litigation and regulatory and the rail and road litigation and regulatory sections in 2020. He has also been ranked in each edition of *Chambers USA* since 2010.

Credentials

EDUCATION

J.D., George Mason University

S.B., Massachusetts Institute of Technology

S.M., Massachusetts Institute of Technology

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Virginia

Recognition

Named Hall of Famer in Environment: Regulatory, Environment: Litigation and Rail & Road - Litigation and Regulation

LEGAL 500 USA, 2020

Insights

ARTICLE

May 27, 2021 • Source: Law360

What EPA's Environmental Justice Push Means For Cos.

CLIENT ALERT

September 13, 2021

U.S. EPA and CalEPA Launch Joint Effort to Strengthen Enforcement in Environmental Justice Communities

August 31, 2021

EPA Submitted Proposed Renewable Fuel Standards to OMB

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Events

CONFERENCE

June 2, 2015

Quarterly Energy Forum

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

August 26, 2020

Marcella Burke, Grant Nakayama to Speak on TXCPA Houston Foundation 2020 Energy Conference Virtual Webcast on Environmental Regulation of the Oil and Gas Industry: 2021 Outlook

WEBINAR

December 15, 2016

Automotive & Transportation: Post-election Analysis of Expected Government Regulation

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News

IN THE NEWS

January 14, 2021 • Source: Law360

Granta Nakayama represents Toyota in settlement to resolve the DOJ's claim that the company violated the Clean Air Act

RECOGNITION

June 10, 2021

Legal 500 United States 2021 Ranks King & Spalding Practices Among the Top in the Nation

May 20, 2021

Chambers USA 2021 Names 179 K&S Lawyers and 65 K&S Practice Groups as Leaders in Their Fields

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