



## BARBARA U. RODRIGUEZ- PASHKOWSKI

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Barbara Rodriguez-Pashkowski, Chair of the firm's Real Estate and Commercial Sections, concentrates her practice on environmental law, including WQARF, CERCLA, UST matters, due diligence, air quality, water quality, and RCRA. She brings to her clients years of experience including state and federal Superfund and litigation, UST compliance and appeals, air quality and water quality permitting and regulatory compliance, asbestos compliance, RCRA regulatory compliance, environmental rule writing and legislation. Barbara works with various federal, state, and local governmental entities and private companies on a broad range of environmental issues.

Prior to joining Gust Rosenfeld, Barbara worked in the Environmental Enforcement Section of the Arizona Attorney General's office as Chief Counsel for the Air, Game and Fish, Underground Storage Tanks and Agriculture (AGUA) Unit. She represented the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality in administrative hearings, litigation and litigation coordination, rule writing, legislation, the negotiation of complex environmental settlements, and training for its state Superfund, UST, State Assurance Fund and air quality programs.

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- State Bar of Arizona
  - Environmental & Natural Resources Law Section
- Gust Rosenfeld P.L.C., (member and past Chairperson, Diversity Committee)
- ASU's Council on Law and Sustainability Studies (Board Member)
- Maricopa County Bar Association
  - Environmental & Natural Resources Law Section (Executive Committee Board Member)
  - Diversity Committee (member and Past Chair)
- American Bar Association
  - Environment, Energy and Resources Section
- Hispanic National Bar Association
  - Public Interest Law Section
  - Litigation & Dispute Resolution Section
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (past City Lead, Mentoring Program)
- Attorney General's Office (former member, CLE Committee, 1998-2007)
- Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (former member, Continuing Education Committee, 1998-2003)

### PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- Featured Speaker, MCBA Paralegal Conference, "Environmental Law - What is Trending, What is Your Role?"
- Featured Speaker, Transportation Research Board 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on Transportation Law, "Environmental Due Diligence"
- Featured Speaker, Condemnation Summit, "NEPA Challenges and Their Relevance To Acquisitions and Appraisal Practice"

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Environmental Law
- Litigation

### AREAS OF FOCUS

- Natural Resources
- Administrative Law

### EDUCATION

- University of Houston Law Center (J.D., 1981)
- St. Mary's University (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1978)

### ADMISSIONS

- Arizona (1981)
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona (1981)
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit (1989)
- Texas (2014)
- Oklahoma (2014)

- Featured Speaker, State Bar of Arizona 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention, "Environmental Law Fundamentals: Water Quality"
- Featured Speaker, "UST Operator Training"
- Featured Speaker, "Environmental Considerations for Franchisors"
- Featured Speaker, "Effluent Guidelines for Discharge of Pollutants from Construction Sites"
- Featured Speaker, "Ins and Outs of Foreclosure – Environmental Considerations"
- *New EPA Guidance on the Applicability of the Bona Fide Prospective Purchaser Defense to Tenants* (January 2013)
- *Asbestos in School, the Penalties, the Dangers* (April 2012)
- *Ins and Outs of Foreclosure, CERCLA and WQARF Environmental Considerations in Foreclosures*, Chapter 16, 3rd Edition

## PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Maricopa County Bar Association's Robert R. Mills Member of the Year (2021)
- *Az Business Leaders*, Law – Real Estate (2021-2022)
- Top 100 Lawyers in Arizona, *Az Business* (2020 and 2022)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Environmental Law; Natural Resources Law (2019-2022)
- Most Influential Women in Real Estate by *AZRE Magazine* (2018)
- *Republic Media* Who's Who in Business! (2016)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- ASU Mentorship Initiative in Sustainability Law (Board Member)
- Los Abogados (member)
- Community Housing Resources of Arizona (former Board Member)
- Aid to Adoption of Special Kids (former Board Member)

## LEGAL UPDATES & FIRM NEWS

JAN 13, 2022 - GENERAL

Three Gust Rosenfeld Attorneys Included In Az Business Magazine's 2022 Top 100 Lawyers In Arizona

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Barbara Rodríguez-Pashkowski And Gerard O'Meara Named As Az Business Leaders For 2022

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