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Session 1 Part 2: Victim Concerns and Environmental Justice

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Speaker Bios

Bethany Davis Noll

Executive Director, State Energy & Environmental Impact Center

Bethany Davis Noll is an expert in administrative and environmental law and an experienced litigator. She is also an adjunct professor at NYU Law and co-chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the New York City Bar Association. Prior to joining the Center, she was Litigation Director at the Institute for Policy Integrity, where she wrote articles, led amicus briefing in cases challenging the Trump administration’s rollbacks of environmental and other rules, and ran Policy Integrity’s “Roundup: Trump-Era Agency Policy in the Courts.” She previously served as Assistant Solicitor General in the New York State Attorney General’s Office, where she filed briefs in major environmental cases in the Supreme Court and earned the Louis J. Lefkowitz Memorial Award for her work. Bethany was also an associate at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP and served as a clerk for the Honorable Chester J. Straub in the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and for the Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin in the District Court for the Southern District of New York. Bethany received a J.D. with distinction from Stanford Law School and a B.A., magna cum laude, from Barnard College.

Laurie Dubriel

Trial Attorney, Law and Policy Section, USDOJ, Environment and Natural Resources Division

Laurie D. Dubriel has been a trial attorney with the Environment and Natural Resource Division’s Law & Policy Section (LPS) at the U.S. Department of Justice since 2014. Her portfolio includes criminal matters, victims’ rights law, the 2008 Lacey Act Amendments, timber trafficking, wildlife trafficking, illegal mining, national response and emergency response issues, international capacity development, and legislative issues. Prior to joining the Department, Ms. Dubriel worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from 2003 - 2014 as a civil and criminal enforcement attorney. She was a civil enforcement attorney in the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance in Washington, DC and in EPA Region 4 concentrating on administrative and

civil judicial enforcement under the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act. Ms. Dubriel also served as the Associate Regional Counsel for Criminal Enforcement for EPA Region 2 for five years developing criminal cases under pollution statutes enforced by EPA and associated crimes under Title 18 of the United States Code. Ms. Dubriel clerked for the Honorable Terri F. Love of the State of Louisiana Court of Appeal, Fourth Circuit. Ms. Dubriel obtained her J.D. with a certificate in environmental law from the Tulane University School of Law and her M.S.P.H. from the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. She obtained her B.S. in environmental health sciences from Louisiana State University.

Michael Daniels

Criminal Enforcement Counsel, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

Mike Daniels began as an Assistant District Attorney in the New Orleans District Attorney's Office in October 1991. He became a Senior Trial Attorney in the felony division and also worked in the Gang Strike Force and Violent Offenders Strike Force. Over the next seven and a half years, Mike prosecuted 105 jury trials with 36 defendants being sentenced to life imprisonment. In June 2009, Mike went to work as Criminal Enforcement Counsel for the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality's Criminal Investigation Section. Mike works with five commissioned law enforcement investigators who investigate criminal violations of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act. In 2011, he prosecuted the Rev. Joseph Jones for multiple felony violations of Louisiana's Water Quality Law. Rev. Jones was found guilty on all charges and sentenced to 18 months in jail; five years supervised probation when he got out of jail, and a \$40,000 fine. Mike has been named a Special Assistant District Attorney in seven parishes. Mike is coauthor of "Renaissance of Environmental Criminal Investigations in Louisiana: A Model for the Nation" published in the April 2010 edition of 'The Prosecutor', a publication of the National District Attorney's Association. Mike is currently the Chairman of the [Southern Environmental Enforcement Network \(SEEN\)](#).

Lana Pettus

Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Crimes Section, USDOJ, Environment and Natural Resources Division

Ms. Pettus is an Assistant Section Chief in the Environmental Crimes Section (ECS) of the U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, in Washington, D.C, where she has participated in the investigation and prosecution of federal environmental crimes cases across the country, including in partnership and coordination with state and local law enforcement agencies and prosecutors. She is the co-author of Environmental Justice in the Context of Environmental Crimes, United States Attorney's Bulletin (July 2011). Prior to joining ECS in 2004 through the Attorney General's Honors Program, she clerked for Justice Donald W. Lemons of the Supreme

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Hunter Kendrick (Moderator)

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Hunter Kendrick is Counsel for State and Local Affairs in the U.S. Department of Justice's Environment and Natural Resources Division, where he litigates environmental and Indian law cases on behalf of the United States, and he counsels federal agencies on the litigation risks of proposed agency actions. Before joining the DOJ, Kendrick was a senior associate in the Washington, D.C., office of Hogan Lovells, where he also specialized in environmental litigation. He clerked at the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky. Kendrick is a 2014 graduate of Virginia Law, where he received the Eppa Hunton IV Memorial Book Award for demonstrating an unusual aptitude in litigation courses and showing a keen awareness and understanding of the lawyer's ethical and professional responsibilities. He also received the James M. Shoemaker, Jr. Moot Court Award for being a finalist in the 85th annual William Minor Lile Moot Court Competition.