

Description of Categories

<b>Category</b>	<b>Summary</b>
State Codes	Cases involving application of state codes, for example cases involving the California Plumbing Code which contains state plumbing design and construction standards
Clean Water Act	Cases involving the Clean Water Act (CWA), which controls water pollution and regulates discharges of pollutants into U.S. waters
Consumer Protection	Cases involving consumer protection as a subject of state and local law
Environmental Protection	Cases involving environmental protection as a subject of state and local law
False Advertising	Cases involving false advertising as a subject of state and local law
Securities	Cases involving a federal securities class action based upon violations of U.S. federal securities law
Greenwashing	Cases involving greenwashing, the process of conveying a false impression or providing misleading information about how a company's products are more environmentally sound – currently under increased scrutiny by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and outlined in the FTC Green Guides
National Environmental Policy Act	Cases involving the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which requires federal agencies to assess the environmental effects of proposed major federal actions prior to making decisions
Plastic Bans	Cases involving banning the use of plastic bags, plastic containers, or expanded polystyrene (Styrofoam) containers under state or local law
Tax	Cases involving the imposition of a tax on the use of plastic containers under state or local law
Public Nuisance	Cases involving public nuisance as a subject of state and local law
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act	Cases involving the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), a federal law which governs the disposal of solid waste and hazardous waste
Unfair Competition	Cases involving unfair competition as a subject of state and local law