

## Simpson Thacher Adds Leading Environmental Partner

*Partner addition enhances Firm's transactional strength by deepening  
Environmental advisory capabilities*



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**Washington, D.C., and New York—March 17, 2025**—Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP today announced that Carleigh Rodriguez has joined the Firm's Washington, D.C. office as Co-Head of the Environmental Practice.

“Environmental review is an important aspect of nearly all corporate deals, and Carleigh's addition will enable us to meet the growing demand from clients across our world-class transactional platform,” said Alden Millard, Chair of Simpson Thacher's Executive Committee. “We're excited to welcome her to the Firm.”

Carleigh advises clients on environmental law issues arising in the full array of commercial transactions, including mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, securities and financing transactions, bankruptcies and restructurings, among others. Recognized by *The Legal 500 U.S.* as a leading lawyer in Environment: Transactional, her work extends across a broad range of industries, from real estate, technology and commercial, to energy, infrastructure, waste, chemicals, manufacturing and other industrials. Prior to Carleigh's career in law, she spent several years advising on federal and state coastal and ocean management and policy matters with the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. She joins the Firm from Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

“Simpson Thacher's M&A Practice is second-to-none because of our ability to develop strategies and solutions that get deals across the finish line,” said Eric Swedenburg, Simpson Thacher's Head of M&A. “Carleigh is known for being creative and for providing commercial, practical advice in response to the multitude of environmental issues arising in highly complex transactional matters, and she will be an asset to clients.”

“I have worked with Carleigh before for many years—she's incredibly accomplished and pragmatic, and she brings a wealth of experience that will help clients navigate the full spectrum of environmental matters,” said Toby Chun, Co-Head of Simpson Thacher's Environmental Practice. “She is a fantastic addition to our team.”

Simpson Thacher's Environmental Practice provides best-in-class advice to a broad range of clients (from mergers and acquisitions to capital markets to banking and credit to real estate) on the complex environmental issues that arise in a wide variety of commercial transactions. The team takes pride in working with Simpson Thacher's sophisticated client base to accomplish their objectives on high-profile transactions spanning a diversity of industries and businesses. Simpson Thacher's Environmental team is recognized by *Chambers*, *The Legal 500* and many others.

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