

## **Julie Hatcher, Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP**

Julia (Julie) Hatcher is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Latham & Watkins, focusing on environmental, health, safety and product defense. Ms. Hatcher currently chairs Latham's Chemical Regulatory and Contaminated Properties Practice and is regularly recognized as a leading practitioner in Washington, D.C. by *Chambers USA*.

Ms. Hatcher possesses deep expertise in laws that control chemicals at every life cycle stage, including the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Superfund law (CERCLA), the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Clean Water Act, federal transportation statutes, the Occupational Safety and Health Act and related state laws, as well as the intersection of these laws with toxic tort liability. Her chemicals expertise also extends to consumer products-related requirements for labeling, reporting, “green” and “health” claims and recalls administered by the Consumer Products Safety Commission, the Federal Trade Commission and state counterpart agencies.

Ms. Hatcher's expertise includes international chemical control requirements, such as the European Union Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), the Stockholm Convention and the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (LRTAP). Ms. Hatcher collaborates regularly on international matters with Latham colleagues in offices outside of the United States.

Ms. Hatcher also has worked extensively in the Clean Air Act and climate change arenas. She has been involved for clients in all recent major rulemakings to regulate greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act and in many of the judicial challenges to those rulemakings as well.

Ms. Hatcher represents clients in matters ranging from compliance advice to rulemaking to agency enforcement proceedings to federal court litigation. She appears regularly before the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state counterpart agencies as well as other regulatory bodies, including the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the Department of Transportation (DOT), the Consumer Products Safety Commission, the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board and the Department of Homeland Security.

Ms. Hatcher possesses particular expertise advising both individual companies and industry groups on forward-looking management of regulatory, public policy and litigation risks with reference not only to current legal requirements, but also to emerging areas, such as the measurement of chemicals in the body, nanotechnology and climate change. She also has worked extensively with major semiconductor, electronics and chemical companies in connection with Clean Air Act rulemakings, policy development, compliance issues, enforcement matters and appellate litigation arising under the PSD, NSR and Title V permitting programs as well as under Title III (air toxics) and Title VI (ODS replacements). In this capacity, Ms. Hatcher has been instrumental in pursuing innovative performance-based regulatory approaches that provide the flexibility necessary for technologically dynamic industries to compete in the global marketplace and yet to remain environmentally progressive.

Prior to practicing law, Ms. Hatcher served as a law clerk intern for Judge Chief Judge Harry T. Edwards of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.