

Robinson+Cole environmental partner hosts new video podcast series sharing insights on Connecticut's release-based cleanup regulations

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Emilee Mooney Scott

Hartford, CT Robinson+Cole's Environmental Law + blog has launched a new video podcast series, The Release Report: Inside Connecticut's Release-Based Cleanup Regulations. The series is hosted by environmental partner Emilee Mooney Scott, a member of the Working Group convened under Public Act 20-09, which initiated the transition from the state's transaction-based Transfer Act to a Release-Based Cleanup Regulation (RBCR). Scott brings deep insight into the regulatory changes reshaping Connecticut's environmental landscape.

The Release-Based Cleanup Regulations, set to take effect on March 1, 2026, will replace the longstanding Transfer Act, which has governed environmental cleanup in the state for nearly four decades. Through The Release Report series, Scott will guide blog viewers and readers through the steps required under the new regulations – from discovery and reporting of releases to cleanup and closure – highlighting the implications for property transactions, redevelopment, and commercial and industrial operations across the state.

"This video podcast series will explore how these new regulations will replace the longstanding Transfer Act," said Scott. "I will provide valuable and in-depth insights on these new regulations, shedding light on the opportunities and challenges they present for stakeholders, so that they are well-prepared for the future of Connecticut's environmental landscape."

"The Release Report reflects Robinson+Cole's commitment to providing timely, practical insights on the evolving regulatory landscape in Connecticut," said James Ray, chair of the firm's Environmental, Energy + Telecommunications group. "Emilee's deep involvement in the development of the Release-Based Cleanup Regulations and her ability to translate complex policy into actionable guidance make this series an invaluable resource for our clients and the broader business and real estate community."

Scott is a recognized authority on Connecticut's environmental regulations and a driving force behind the transition to a Release-Based Cleanup Framework.

Scott was appointed to the Working Group jointly convened by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and the Department of Economic and Community Development under Public Act 20-9 to advise on Connecticut's release-based environmental investigation and remediation program.

Scott testified before the Commerce and Environment Committees during their Joint Public Hearing in March, providing commentary on the practical implications of the regulatory overhaul and advocating for a feedback-driven implementation process. She was also a recent guest on an episode of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association's (CBIA) Bizcast focused on "Understanding Release-Based Regulations." Scott serves on the CBIA's E2 Energy & Environmental Council Steering Committee and is immediate past chair of the Connecticut Bar

Association Environmental Section.

To view episodes of The Release Report and receive updates on the environmental, health & safety, and energy landscape content from Robinson+Cole, subscribe to the Environmental Law + blog.

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