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Biography

Erin currently serves as the Director of the Office of Legal Services at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). She started her legal career as a Superfund and Dry Cleaner Remediation Program attorney in the Office of Legal Services, and then worked as past TCEQ Chairman Bryan Shaw’s Special Counsel, advising on legal and policy issues. She then accepted a role in the federal government and served as a political appointee at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in two separate roles: Chief of Staff in EPA Region 6 in Dallas and Counsel to the Administrator at EPA headquarters in Washington, DC. Erin jumped at the opportunity to return to state service and came home to TCEQ in early 2020 to serve as Director of Legal Services. Recently, Erin served as the agency’s Interim Executive Director from December 2022-June 2023, and now Erin has resumed her role as Legal Services Director.

She holds a J.D. from the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law and earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Relations from the University of Texas at Austin.

Erin serves on the State Bar of Texas Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section Board as Chair Elect and Social Media Committee Chair. She is also the Solicitations Editor for the Texas Environmental Law Journal, on the Steering Committee for the annual Changing Face of Water Law conference, and engaged with the Austin Bar Association and the Travis County Women Lawyers’ Association.