

Forum Webinar Series
The Legal Landscape of the Dakota Access Pipeline in *Standing Rock Sioux Tribe vs. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*

Moderator and Panel Bios

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Mr. Turner is based in the National Trust for Historic Preservation's San Francisco Field Office. He works with communities throughout the Western U.S. and the Pacific Islands to secure protections for cultural resources as well as training and education on cultural resource law and policy. Turner is a graduate of Grinnell College and Vermont Law School.

Doug Hayes, Staff Attorney, Sierra Club Environmental Law Program

Doug Hayes is a Staff Attorney with the Sierra Club based in Boulder, Colorado. Since joining the Club in 2009, Doug has led the legal efforts to oppose the Keystone XL pipeline and other oil infrastructure projects. He has extensive experience with the Army Corps of Engineers' permitting of pipelines under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, including Nationwide Permit 12, the permit used to approve the Dakota Access Pipeline. Doug is a graduate of Vermont Law School.

Elizabeth Merritt, Deputy General Counsel, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Elizabeth ("Betsy") Merritt serves as Deputy General Counsel for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, where she has worked for more than 32 years. During that time, she has been passionately committed to the enforcement of federal laws protecting historic properties, especially Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act. Betsy has also been directly and personally involved in developing regulations and legislative language implementing Section 106 and Section 4(f), through influential testimony, comments, and negotiation. She also frequently represents the National Trust in its role as a congressionally appointed member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Will Cook, Associate General Counsel, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Will Cook is an associate general counsel at the National Trust for Historic Preservation. His primary area of responsibility includes litigation advocacy on behalf of the National Trust in courts across the United States. Prior to joining the National Trust, Will taught as an assistant professor at the Charleston School of Law in the areas of property law, constitutional law, historic preservation, and art and cultural heritage law. Will has also worked at a nationally recognized law firm and for an international auction house in New

York City. While in Charleston, Will served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Preservation Society, the oldest preservation advocacy group in the nation. He lectures regularly to national audiences on issues related to property, land use, and historic preservation law, and teaches preservation law at Columbia University.