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Remembering Our Friend and Colleague Don Baur

Perkins Coie is sad to announce that our colleague and friend Don Baur passed away on December 15. Don was a partner in the Environment, Energy & Resources (EER) practice, based in the Washington, D.C. office. He joined Perkins Coie in 1987, was promoted to partner in 1993, and rose to become a cornerstone of the firm's environmental practice.

Don was a superb practitioner who was widely respected for his extensive knowledge of environmental issues. He was instrumental in bringing the firm's EER practice to national prominence and played a lead role in recruiting and training a generation of environmental lawyers.

Don had a passion for service and was recognized for his leadership on several high-profile boards related to national parks and ocean conservation. Don was a consummate teacher and mentor, having been involved in law school education for nearly 25 years while also dedicating hundreds of hours of pro bono work to help whales, sea otters, parks, and the environment. *Chambers*, *Best Lawyers*, and other publications have included Don on leading lawyer lists for many years.

Don's deep knowledge and practical approach to problem-solving made him an invaluable resource for colleagues and clients and an exemplary mentor.

Our deepest sympathies to all who worked with and knew Don, as well as his family and friends. He will be missed.