Eight Haynes and Boone Lawyers Help Update Texas Environmental Law Treatise

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Eight Haynes Boone lawyers, led by Austin Senior Counsel Jeff Civins, helped prepare the recently released 2019-2020 edition of *Thomson Reuters*'s Texas Environmental Law treatise, Volumes 45-46 of its Texas Practice Series.

The treatise provides a comprehensive discussion of relevant legislation, regulation, and caselaw. The two-volume treatise comprises almost 2,000 pages with contributions from about 50 members of the State Bar of Texas Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section. The book includes in-depth discussions of topics relating to environmental law, as well as an overview of state agencies, administrative procedures, and enforcement.

"This treatise was a team effort by many talented lawyers," Civins said. "It will continue to be the go-to reference on Texas environmental law."

Other Haynes Boone contributors include Houston Partners Ann Al-Bahish and Michael Mazzone; Austin Partners Mary Mendoza and Leslie Thorne and Associate Andrew Van Osselaer; San Antonio Partner Suzanne Murray and Associate Carlos Carrasco; as well as Austin Legal Secretary Trudi Lehnhardt. The book was co-edited by Civins, Lower Colorado River Authority Managing Associate General Counsel Lyn Clancy, and Baker Botts Partner Aileen Hooks.

Substantive topics covered include: pollution programs – not only those dealing with air and water quality and solid wastes, but also those dealing with drinking water protection and oil and hazardous substance spills; environmental programs, such as those that relate to water rights, conservation and land use; regulations governing asbestos, medical waste, radioactive materials and specific activities involving border issues, agriculture, oil and gas, mining, and renewable energy; and topics of general interest to practitioners, including business transactions, insurance, and ethics. This year's edition included a new chapter on flooding and the law.

Under the direction of Civins, the first edition of the treatise was published in 1997 and has been updated annually since – in the past several years by the publication of entirely revised volumes. As explained in the preface of the updated treatise: "The purpose of this work is to provide useful information about the practice of environmental law in Texas not only to practitioners of environmental law, but also to other practitioners, and not only to attorneys, but also to environmental consultants, corporate environmental managers, and private citizens. It is intended to be a handy go-to reference that explains this complex area of law and gives valuable practice pointers."

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