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As a staff attorney for Pacific Legal Foundation (PLF), Mr. Schiff has worked in a number of cases pertaining to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the Clean Water Act. He was lead attorney in PLF's successful legal challenge to force the government to make good on its promise to remove the bald eagle from the list of threatened species under the ESA, a promise that was five years overdue. He is lead attorney in PLF's challenge to the critical habitat designation for the Mexican Spotted Owl and 15 vernal pool species in California and Oregon. Mr. Schiff was a lead attorney in PLF's litigation regarding the operation of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Klamath Project in Northern California, and its effects on Coho salmon.

Mr. Schiff has also been involved in a number of Clean Water Act (CWA) cases following PLF's recent Supreme Court victory in *Rapanos v. United States*. Those cases include *United States v. Gerke Excavating Co.* in the Seventh Circuit, *United States v. Cundiff* in the Sixth Circuit, and *United States v. Johnson* in the First Circuit. In addition, Mr. Schiff is lead attorney in *Fairbanks Northstar Borough v. United States Army Corps of Engineers*, another CWA case raising questions of CWA jurisdiction over permafrost and judicial review of Army Corps administrative determinations.

Mr. Schiff obtained his law degree *magna cum laude* from the University of San Diego School of Law, and his undergraduate degree *magna cum laude* from Georgetown University. He is a former law clerk to the Honorable Victor J. Wolski, United States Court of Federal Claims. Mr. Schiff's legal writing includes *Rollin', Rollin' Rollin' on the River: A Story of Drought, Treaty Interpretation, and Other Rio Grande Problems*, published in volume 14 of the *Indiana International and Comparative Law Review*, *Samaritans: Good, Bad, and Ugly: A Comparative Law Analysis*, published in volume 11 of the *Roger Williams University Law Review*, *Purposivism and the "Reasonable Legislator": A Review Essay of Justice Stephen Breyer's Active Liberty*, published in volume 33 of the *William Mitchell Law Review*, and *Nothing New Under the Sun: The Minimalism of Chief Justice Roberts and the Supreme Court's Recent Environmental Law Jurisprudence*, published in volume 15 of the *Missouri Environmental Law and Policy Review*.