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Before he attended law school, Sean worked in the nonprofit sector, overseeing environmental programs relating to energy conservation, recycling, and hazardous waste. After law school, he served as law clerk for Hon. Laughlin E. Waters of the United States District Court for the Central District of California. He began law practice at the firm Strumwasser & Woocher, litigating cases involving election law, employment law, environmental and land-use law, and insurance regulation. More recently, he served as a Deputy Attorney General for the California Department of Justice, representing the Attorney General and state agencies on environmental and public health matters. He received a B.A. from Yale University and a J.D. from the University of Michigan.