Abbey Hudson

Partner

ahudson@gibsondunn.com
T: +1 213.229.7954
Los Angeles



Abbey Hudson is a partner in Gibson Dunn's Los Angeles office. Her practice focuses on environmental matters and complex trial litigation. She devotes a significant portion of her time to helping clients navigate environmental and emerging regulations as well as related governmental investigations. Abbey is ranked by *Chambers USA* in the Environment – California category, named a Next Generation Lawyer by *Legal 500 US* in the Industry Focus – Environment – Litigation category, and recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* for Environmental Litigation.

Environmental and Mass Tort Litigation and Regulatory Compliance. Abbey has handled all aspects of environmental and mass tort litigation and regulatory compliance. She has provided counseling and advice on environmental and regulatory compliance to clients on a wide range of issues, including supply chain transparency requirements, comments on pending regulatory developments, and enforcement counseling. She has experience handling California environmental matters that involve the California Air Resources Board, the South Coast Air Quality Management District, the California Geologic Energy Management Division, and the Regional Water Quality Control Board - Los Angeles Region. Abbey also regularly advises clients regarding Environmental Social Governance ("ESG") issues, including sustainability, in connection with corporate and real estate transactions.

Abbey also has experience with climate change focused regulations such as the California Air Resources Board's ('CARB") Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS), the Zero-Emission Vehicle Program, and the Cap-and-Trade Program. As part of her climate focused work, she helps guide clients to monetize the environmental and low-carbon attributes of their products or services under both voluntary and compliance-based regimes.

Litigation. Over the past decade, Abbey has litigated several of the firm's most high-profile complex cases. She specializes in helping clients navigate incident response including crafting big picture media and litigation strategies. Abbey also has an expertise in post-incident e-discovery and evidence preservation.

Some of Abbey's most recent non-confidential matters include:

- Represented Mercedes-Benz and Daimler in an investigation relating to compliance with Clean Air Act requirements governing emissions after-treatment and in related settlement of civil claims with the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the California Attorney General, and the California Air Resources Board. United States v. Daimler AG et al., No. 02564 (D.D.C. 2020) & California v. Daimler AG, No. 02565 (D.D.C. 2020).
- Represented Toyota Motor Corporation in an investigation relating to compliance with Clean Air Act requirements governing emissions reporting and in related settlement of civil claims with the U.S. Department of Justice, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. United States v. Toyota Motor Corporation et

Capabilities

Environmental
Crisis Management
ESG: Risk, Litigation, and Reporting
Litigation
Mass Torts and Product Liability
Transnational Litigation
White Collar Defense and Investigations

Credentials

Education

Columbia University - 2009 Juris Doctor
Yale University - 2003 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

California Bar

2026 Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. All rights reserved.
For other information, please visit us at **www.gibsondunn.com**

al., No. 00323 (S.D.N.Y. 2021).

- Representation of major food retailer in confidential matter involving alleged trichloroethylene ("TCE") contamination in drinking water in a California city. Brought in to advise client in anticipation of potential litigation. Advice is ongoing.
- Representation of aerospace company in confidential matter involving alleged toxic exposures in California city. Brought in to advise client on technical environmental issues in anticipation of potential litigation. Advice is ongoing.
- Compliance and enforcement counseling addressing Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and FIFRA topics in a variety of industries such as chemical manufacturing, consumer product and textile manufacturing, and upstream oil and gas operations.
- Representation of Northrop Grumman against putative class action involving alleged trichloroethylene ("TCE") contamination in Canoga Park California.
- *Tellez v. Dole Food Co*.: securing dismissal with prejudice of U.S.-filed toxic tort claims alleging that DBCP caused reproductive harm. This case was featured in *The Daily Journal's* "Top Verdict" for 2010.
- Representation of oil companies in connection with civil litigation, environmental enforcement actions, and community complaints.
- *Hollingsworth v. Perry*: the federal constitutional challenge to California's ban on same-sex marriage, Proposition 8.
- *You v. Japan*: defended vehicle manufacturers against alien tort and RICO claims brought on behalf of a purported class of Korean citizens.

Community and Firm Involvement. Abbey is a member of the Firm's Associates, Diversity, Well-Being, and Community Affairs Committees. Additionally, Abbey helped launch and helps run the firm's LGBT Women's initiative. In 2017, Abbey was named one of the 40 Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40 by the National LGBT Bar Association. Abbey also has an active pro bono practice. She regularly represents The Trevor Project, and is also a certified trainer for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy. Abbey also traveled to Kenya and Tanzania with Lawyers Without Borders to facilitate the training of Kenyan and Tanzanian advocates and judges on how to successfully bring claims under those countries' wildlife conservation laws to trial.

Abbey earned her law degree from Columbia University, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, a finalist in the Harlan Fiske Stone Moot Court Competition, and president of OutLaws, Columbia's LGBT law student organization. Abbey received her Bachelor's degree with distinction in Political Science from Yale University in 2003.

Abbey Hudson
Partner

ahudson@gibsondunn.com

T: +1 213.229.7954

Los Angeles

2026 Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. All rights reserved.
For other information, please visit us at **www.gibsondunn.com**