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## ABOUT

Bobby Salehi proudly represents a wide range of clients in many areas of administrative law, with a focus in environmental and regulatory litigation. Bobby has successfully represented clients in contested case hearings and other proceedings before various state regulatory bodies, including the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Utility Commission, the Railroad Commission of Texas, the Texas Department of Banking, and the State Office of Administrative Hearings. His client base includes cities, developers, private landowners, and universities. Bobby serves as general or special counsel to numerous groundwater conservation districts, water supply corporations, and municipal utility districts.

Prior to joining the firm, Bobby spent nearly five years at the TCEQ in the Environmental Law Division, where he refined his current practice area doing all things water, including permitting, districts, enforcement, and water rights.

Bobby attended Texas A&M University where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology, followed by obtaining his Doctor of Jurisprudence and Graduate Diploma in Comparative Law from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

When he's not advocating for his clients, Bobby can be found in any of Austin's new restaurants, watching his favorite sports teams, or trail hopping with his German Shepherd, Shah.

### PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Admitted: Texas, 2017.
- Education:  Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center (J.D., 2016); Texas A&M University, College Station, TX (B.S., 2013).
- Attorney, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Austin, Texas (2019-2023)

## PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Air and Waste Management Association, Central Texas Chapter, Vice Chair, Board of Directors
- 2024 Class of Texas Water Foundation's Texas Water Leaders Program
- STATE BAR OF TEXAS MEMBERSHIPS:
    - Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section
    - Administrative and Public Law Section

## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Panelist, *Tips for Conducting Administrative Hearings*, Texas Bar CLE's 2026 Advanced Administrative Law Course
- Author, "Groundwater Law 101," Texas Bar CLE's 2026 Changing Face of Water Law Conference
- Co-Presenter, *Regulatory Landscape: Texas Groundwater and Wastewater*, March 2026 CASE Members Meeting
- Co-Author, *Good grief, I'm a trial lawyer. What am I supposed to do with an Administrative Appeal?*, Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas' The Advocate, Spring Vol. (2026).
- Author, "New Law Triggers Changes to TCEQ Compliance History and Penalty Rules" January 2026
- Panelist, *Tips for Conducting Administrative Hearings*, Texas Bar CLE's 2025 Advanced Administrative Law Course
- Speaker, "Kingmaker: The Role of State Agencies in Land & Mineral Law", 2025 GDHM Land & Mineral Owner Seminar
- Co-Speaker: TCEQ Contested Cases: Standing Issues, Dispute Resolution and Mediation, and the Consultant's Role" April 2025 Air & Waste Management Association Central Texas Chapter Meeting
- Speaker, "Careers in Environmental Law", National Association of Environmental Professionals, Texas A&M University Chapter, 2025
- Co-Speaker, Texas Bar CLE's 2025 "Case Law Update" Changing Face of Water Law Conference
- Co-Author, Texas Bar CLE's 2025 "Case Law Update" Changing Face of Water Law Conference

- Co-Author, Texas Bar Journal 2024 Year In Review "Environmental Law" Case Law Update
- Co-Author, Texas Bar Journal 2023 Year In Review "Environmental Law" Case Law Update
- Co-Author, "Texas Water Law Glossary" February 2024 Update
- Speaker, "Texas Open Meetings Act" 2024 Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District Workshop

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Super Lawyers Rising Star (Thomson Reuters, 2026)