

Sidney Shapiro

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Shapiro uses his expertise in administrative procedure to explain how and why politics, policy, and law impact regulatory decision-making.

Biography

Sidney Shapiro is an internationally recognized expert on administrative law and regulatory policy who focuses his research on health, safety, and the environment. Shapiro has written and consulted on a vast range of topics relating to public law and regulatory issues, including matters related to e coli and salmonella outbreaks in the food system, natural disaster and crisis management, safety recalls, and occupational health and safety.

In 2010, Shapiro emerged as a regulatory pundit in the wake of the Toyota Vehicle Recall and the Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill. He went on to testify in front of a congressional committee investigating the spill, where he explained that certain industries, including oil and mining, had effectively “captured” portions of federal regulatory agencies, which subsequently weakened health and safety protections for the American public.

Much of his recent scholarship is concerned with administering and regulating new and emerging policies related to the environment and the development of green economies. Prior to teaching, Shapiro was a deputy legal counsel for the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare’s Secretary Review Panel on New Drug Regulation. He also has notable experience with the Federal Trade Commission as a trial attorney.

Areas of Expertise

Crisis Management, Risk Regulation, Public Law, OSHA, Government Regulation, Energy Law, Administrative Law, Administrative Procedure, Regulatory Policy, Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill, Environmental Law, Health and Safety Protections, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Regulation, Safety Recalls

Affiliations

Center for Progressive Reform, Chief Justice Joseph Branch Inn of Court, American Law Institute

Education

Stanford University

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University of Pennsylvania

J.D. Law

University of Pennsylvania

B.S. Undergraduate Studies

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