

CHRISTOPHER D. BALL JOINS THE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW FIRM OF MANKO, GOLD, KATCHER & FOX, LLP

Philadelphia, PA (January 8, 2008) – Christopher D. Ball, of Philadelphia, Pa., has recently joined the environmental law firm of Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), as an associate. At MGKF, Ball joins a team of 26 lawyers and two engineers and paralegals, where he will focus his practice on environmental litigation and regulatory compliance counseling.

Prior to joining MGKF, Ball served as Deputy Attorney General for the State of New Jersey, where he litigated federal Clean Air Act and state solid waste matters. Additionally, he served as a State Liaison Officer for the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Region Three, coordinating the efforts of the agency's various program offices with their state counterparts. Ball currently serves on the Advisory Board for the Echo Hill Outdoor School, an environmental education school on Maryland's Eastern Shore where he previously taught.

"Chris is a valuable addition to MGKF, and we are thrilled that he chose to work at our firm once he decided to leave the New Jersey Attorney General's Office. Chris was very highly regarded at the Attorney General's Office, and we have no doubt that he will be very highly regarded in private practice as well," says Hiring Partner Jonathan Spergel.

Ball received his Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center and his Bachelor of Arts from Bowdoin College, where he had a double major in Government and Environmental Studies and a minor in Biology.

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