



**EBC Leadership Program:  
Environmental, Energy and Climate Programs for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

*Featuring Newly Appointed Massachusetts EOEEA Secretary Kathleen Theoharides*

Thursday, May 23, 2019

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## AGENDA

6:00 p.m.      **Welcome:** Daniel K. Moon, President & Executive Director, EBC

**Welcome to Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP:** Mary K. Ryan, Partner

6:10 p.m.      **Environmental, Energy & Climate Program Strategies for Massachusetts**



**Kathleen Theoharides**, Secretary  
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

6:30 p.m.      **Moderated Discussion**

**Moderator:** Robert D. Cox, Jr., Chair, EBC Board of Directors  
Managing Partner, Bowditch & Dewey, LLP

7:00 p.m.      **Adjourn**

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Kathleen Theoharides**, Secretary  
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In 2016, Katie Theoharides joined the Baker-Polito Administration as Director of Climate and Global Warming Solutions in the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. As Director and later Assistant Secretary, Theoharides guided the development and implementation of the Administration's efforts to safeguard Massachusetts from the impacts of climate change, support cities and towns, and coordinate efforts across state government to reduce emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. She worked to implement Executive Order 569, led the development of the State Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan and created the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program, working to grow the program to reach 50 percent of cities and towns in the Commonwealth in less than 3 years. Theoharides was promoted to Undersecretary in 2019, and continued to lead the Commonwealth's efforts on climate change, including working to strengthen regional and national coalitions focused on bipartisan state climate leadership including the United States Climate Alliance and the Transportation Climate Initiative.

Trained as a field biologist, Theoharides began her policy career working in Washington, D.C. at the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition and Defenders of Wildlife. During her time in DC, Theoharides worked on the federal farm bill and conservation policy, and helped establish a national program that partnered with federal and state agencies to incorporate climate change adaptation into policy, budgets, and planning. After returning to Massachusetts, Theoharides served as the Executive Director of the Hilltown Land Trust, and founded Theoharides Consulting which provided climate and environmental policy analysis, strategic planning, and facilitation to universities, government agencies and non-profits.

Theoharides received a B.A. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from Dartmouth College and Masters of Science in Ecology and Environmental Biology from University of Massachusetts-Boston.

Originally from western Massachusetts, Theoharides lives with her husband, three young children, and dog in Arlington, Massachusetts.

## **DISCUSSION MODERATOR**

**Robert D. Cox, Jr.**, Managing Partner  
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Bob Cox is an environmental lawyer with over 30 years of experience helping clients with complex, technically challenging environmental compliance and enforcement actions. Bob counsels primarily businesses, public utilities and municipal authorities in water, air, hazardous waste and solid waste matters before EPA, MassDEP and municipal regulatory boards. He represents clients in cost recovery claims in private party litigation under Chapter 21E and CERCLA in state and federal courts. Bob regularly advises clients on brownfields development activities and on strategies to limit or shift environmental liability risks in connection with real estate or business transfers. He has extensive experience advising and defending clients before local boards with respect to license and permitting issues. He also has significant experience in NPDES water permitting, including appeals of NPDES permits, as well as administrative appeals and hearings on MassDEP issued permits. He defends claims and actions brought by government environmental enforcement agencies.

Bob is recognized as one of the top environmental lawyers in Massachusetts by *Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. He has been selected by his peers as one of the *Best Lawyers in America* in the practice area of Environmental Law and Litigation – Environmental, and since 2004, has been selected for inclusion in *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*.

Bob is Managing Partner at Bowditch. He is Chair of the Environmental Business Council of New England. He also serves as Clerk, Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Chair, Mayor's Brownfields Task Force, City of Worcester, and is a member of NAIOP's Massachusetts Brownfields Redevelopment Committee.

## UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

### MAY 2019

- May 24 – Energy Resources Site Visit: MassCEC Wind Technology Testing Center
- May 29 – Site Remediation and Redevelopment Program: Brownfields Tax Credits
- May 31 – Energy Resources Program: Carbon Capture & Sequestration

### JUNE 2019

- June 3 – Solid Waste Management Committee Program Planning Meeting
- June 4 – Rhode Island Program: RIDEM Implementation of the Generator Improvements Rule
- June 5 – Rhode Island Program: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stormwater Conference
- June 7 – Climate Adaptation Forum: Disruptive Climate, Disruptive Technologies**
- June 10 – Energy Resources Committee Program Planning Meeting
- June 10 – Dam Management Committee Program Planning Luncheon
- June 11 – Connecticut Program: A Primer on the Evolving Remediation Regulations in Connecticut
- June 12 – Solid Waste Management Program: New England Conference of State Solid Waste Directors
- June 13 – Solid Waste Management Discussion: MassDEP Solid Waste Master Plan for Years 2020-2030
- June 14 – Site Remediation and Redevelopment Program: Risk Communication
- June 17 – Rhode Island Chapter Program Planning Luncheon
- June 19 – EBC 26<sup>th</sup> Annual EBEE Awards and 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**
- June 21 – Ocean and Coastal Resources Program: Innovative Data Collection Techniques
- June 24 – Infrastructure Committee Program Planning Meeting
- July 25 – New Hampshire Program: The Future of PFAS Regulation and Cleanup in New Hampshire

### JULY 2019

- July 10 – Connecticut Summer Gathering at the Connecticut Valley Brewing Company
- July 11 – Energy Resources Program: Briefing by New England State Energy Directors
- July 12 – New Hampshire Briefing from NHDES and USEPA
- July 16 – Climate Change Program: Severe Weather & Emergency Preparedness Tools for Facilities
- July 17 – Site Remediation Program: Update from U.S. EPA Brownfields Program
- July 23 – Connecticut Emerging Contaminants: Identifying Risks from PCBs in Building Materials
- July 24 – Emerging Contaminants Program: PFAS Remediation and Disposal
- July 26 – New England Climate Change Summit
- July 30 – Connecticut Emerging Contaminants Program: PFAS Overview
- July 31 – Emerging Contaminants: Treatment and Disposal of PCB Contaminated Building Materials