

Michael Vandenberg

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Expert in environmental law and how private industry can help slow climate change.

Biography

Michael Vandenberg is a Professor of Law at Vanderbilt University. His research explores the relationship between formal legal regulation and informal social regulation of individual and corporate environmental behavior. His work with Vanderbilt's Climate Change Research Network involves interdisciplinary teams that focus on the reduction of carbon emissions from the individual and household sector. His corporate work explores the influence of social norms on firms' behavior and the ways in which private contracting can enhance or undermine public governance. Before joining Vanderbilt's law faculty, Vandenberg was one of the nation's foremost environmental lawyers. He served as Chief of Staff of the Environmental Protection Agency from 1993-95.

Industry Expertise

Legal Services, Research, Professional Training and Coaching, Training and Development, Public Policy, Education/Learning, Environmental Services

Areas of Expertise

Carbon Emissions, Organizational Culture, Climate Change Research, Energy Law and Policy, Environmental Law, Corporate Environmental Behavior

Affiliations

Vanderbilt University : David Allen Distinguished Chair of Law, Vanderbilt University : Director, Environmental Law Program, Vanderbilt University : Director, Climate Change Research Network, American Academy of Arts and Sciences : Member, Alternative Energy Future Committee, Middle Tennessee Clean Air Partnership : Member, Steering Committee

Selected Event Appearances

Can your company stop global warming?
TEDxNashville

Buying Time: The Private Governance Response to Climate Change
Ostrom Workshop Colloquium

New Governance for New Challenges

Fate of the Earth Inaugural Symposium: Human Well-Being and the Environment

Private Climate Governance

Kellogg School of Management / Aspen Institute Business and Society Leadership Summit

Private Governance and Legal Scholarship: The Emergence of Private Environmental Governance

Private Governance Workshop, Center for the study of Democratic Institutions and Energy, Environment and Land Use Program

Education

University of Virginia School of Law

J.D. Law

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

B.A. Zoology

Accomplishments

Hall - Hartman Outstanding Professor Award

Awarded 2005, 2010, 2011 and 2013.

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