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## PROFILE

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Mr. Peck has served clients at Foulston Siefkin since 1996 and concentrates on water law and real estate transactional work. He taught classes in family law, land transactions, water law, and contracts at the University of Kansas School of Law for 41 years and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

### Education

- University of Kansas (J.D., 1974)  
Order of the Coif; Articles Editor - *Kansas Law Review*
- Kansas State University (B.S., 1968)

### Admissions

- Kansas (1974)

## PRACTICE AREAS

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- Water Rights
- Real Estate
- Administrative/Regulatory

## INDUSTRIES

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- Agribusiness
- Real Estate

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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- Country Club Christian Church

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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Mr. Peck's work at Foulston Siefkin has been primarily in water rights transactional work, including buying, selling, changing, and preserving water rights and representing clients before the Division of Water Resources of the Kansas State Department of Agriculture. His clients have included cities, industries, golf courses, farmers, developers, and estates.

Law School, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas: Associate Professor, 1978 to 1983; Professor, 1983 to 2019; Connell Teaching Professor in Kansas Law, 1999 to 2019. Everett, Seaton & Peck, Attorneys at Law, Manhattan, Kansas: Associate, 1974 to 1975; Partner, 1975 to 1978. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Public Health Service, Washington, D.C.: staff engineer; assistant to director of NATO pilot study on air pollution, 1968 to 1971.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS, AND HONORS

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- Kansas Water Office, Water Legacy Award, 2022
- Clyde O. Martz Teaching Award, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, 2018
- Selected by peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the areas of Natural Resources Law, 2003-2025, and Water Law, 2007-2025
- Distinguished Alumni Award, Kansas University School of Law, 2016
- Awarded the W.T. Kemper Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, 2004
- Outstanding Service Award, Kansas Bar Association, 2003
- Connell Teaching Professor of Law, 1999
- Dean Frederick J. Moreau Award, 1998
- Immel Award for Teaching Excellence, 1998
- American Bar Association
- Kansas Bar Association Member, Title Standards Committee
- Journal of the Kansas Bar Association Board of Editors
- Connell Family Teaching Chair, University of Kansas

## RECENT PRESENTATIONS

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2019

# FOULSTON

## ATTORNEYS AT LAW

- Water Law 101 for the Estate Planner and Administrator (Foulston Siefkin, Winter Estate Planning Forum)

### 2012

- Speaker on water law topics (1982 to present: Chicago; San Antonio; Denver; Kansas City; San Francisco; Seattle; Istanbul, Turkey)

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS

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### 2024

- Don't Be Stupid or Mean: Be Aware of Slander of Title in Kansas  
-Kansas Bar Journal, May/June 2024, Vol. 93, No. 3

### 2019

- Groundwater Management: The Movement Toward Local, Community-Based, Voluntary Programs  
-Kansas Journal of Law and Public Policy
- 1980-2019: numerous articles in the *Kansas Law Review*, *The Kansas Journal of Law & Policy*, the *Kansas Bar Association Journal*, and other articles in law reviews, law journals, and legal books.

### 2015

- Legal Challenges in Government Imposition of Water Conservation: The Kansas Example  
-Agronomy Journal

### 2014

- Legal Responses to Drought in Kansas  
-Kansas Law Review

### 2012

- Water Allocation Law and the Oil and Gas Industry in Kansas: An Update to the 1981 Neufeld Article  
-Journal of Kansas Bar Association

### 2011

- Water Use and Reuse: The New Hydrologic Cycle  
-Proceedings of the Rocky Mountain min. Law Fifty-Seventh Annual Institute

### 2009

- Comparative Water Law and Management: The Yellow River Basin In Western China and the State of the Kansas In the Western United States  
-Kansas Journal of Law

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## ATTORNEYS AT LAW

- Land Description Errors: Recognition, Avoidance, and Consequences  
-Kansas Bar Association

### 2008

- Groundwater law and Management: The Asia (IWMI)-Kansas Program  
-Creighton Law Review

### 2006

- Groundwater Management in Kansas: A Brief History and Assessment  
-Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy

### 2004

- Water Law Chapter  
-Kansas Annual Survey of the Law published annually by Kansas Bar Association
- Book chapter on Kansas Water Law, Waters and Water Rights  
-State Surveys
- Protecting the Ogallala Aquifer in Kansas from Depletion: The Teaching Perspective  
-Journal of Land, Resources, & Environmental Law

### 2003

- Property Rights in Groundwater—Some Lessons from the Kansas Experience  
-Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy

### 2001

- Assessing the Quality of a Water Right  
-Kansas Bar Association

### 1997

- Title and Related Considerations in Conveying Kansas Water Rights  
-Kansas Bar Association

### 1995

- Loss of Kansas Water Rights for Non-use  
-Kansas Law Review
- The Kansas Water Appropriation Act, a Fifty-Year Perspective  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1994

- Condemnation of Water and Water Rights in Kansas  
-Kansas Law Review

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## ATTORNEYS AT LAW

### 1992

- Water Law in Kansas History  
-Kansas Bar Association
- Kansas Water Assurance Districts  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1991

- Book chapter on Kansas Water Law, Waters and Water Rights  
-State Surveys

### 1990

- Water Law Chapter  
-Kansas Annual Survey of the Law published annually by Kansas Bar Association
- A Legal Study of Water Transfer Act  
-Kansas Water Resources Research Institute

### 1989

- Legal Aspects of Kansas Water Resources Planning  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1988

- Kansas Water Rights: Changes and Transfers  
-Kansas Bar Association

### 1985

- Improving Effectiveness in Planning and Equity Financing of State Water Resources Management  
-Kansas Water Resources Research Institute

### 1984

- Legal Aspects of Water Storage in Federal Reservoirs in Kansas  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1982

- Legal Constraints on Diverting Water from Eastern to Western Kansas  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1980

- Kansas Groundwater Management Districts  
-Kansas Law Review

### 1979

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW

- Kansas Reporter  
-Water Law Newsletter