

**John Echeverria**

Echeverria joined the Vermont Law School faculty in 2009. He previously served for twelve years as Executive Director of the Georgetown Environmental Law & Policy Institute at Georgetown University Law Center. Prior to that he was General Counsel of the National Audubon Society and General Counsel and Conservation Director of American Rivers, Inc.

Echeverria also was an associate for four years in the Washington, D.C. office of Hughes, Hubbard & Reed. Immediately after graduating with joint degrees from Yale Law School and the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Echeverria served for one year as law clerk to the Honorable Gerhard Gesell of the U.S. District Court in the District of Columbia. Echeverria has written extensively on the takings issue and other aspects of environmental and natural resource law.

He has frequently represented state and local governments, environmental organizations, planning groups and others in regulatory takings cases and other environmental litigation at all levels of the federal and state court systems. In 2007, Echeverria received the Jefferson Fordham Advocacy Award to recognize outstanding excellence within the area of state and local government law over a lifetime of achievement.

**Scott Hempling**

Hempling is an expert witness, legal advisor and teacher focusing on excellence in public utility regulation. From 2006 to 2011, Hempling was the Executive Director of the National Regulatory Research Institute. His legal and policy research has included mergers and acquisitions, the introduction of competition into formerly monopolistic markets, corporate restructuring, ratemaking, utility investments in nonutility businesses, and state-federal jurisdictional issues.

He has taught, advised, and represented utility regulators and practitioners throughout the United States and in Canada, Central America, India, Jamaica and Nigeria. Hempling has appeared numerous times before committees of the U.S. Congress and before state legislative committees in Arkansas, California, Maryland, Minnesota, Nevada, North Carolina, South Carolina, Vermont, and Virginia.

Hempling received a B.A. *cum laude* in Economics and Political Science and Music from Yale University, where he was a recipient of a Continental Grain Fellowship and a Patterson research grant. He received a J.D. *magna cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center, where he was the recipient of an American Jurisprudence award for Constitutional Law. In 2011, he was appointed Adjunct Professor at the Georgetown University Law Center.