

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

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Management and Leadership

Environmental Team

Our Green Building and Sustainability Industry Group serves as the firm champion of green practices, in addition to handling our clients' sustainability matters. It meets once a month, with additional meetings as necessary.

✓ Annual Environmental Goals

Our Information Technology Department's goal for 2010 is to reduce overall energy consumption by 10%.

☑ Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

Whiteford, Taylor & Preston's attorneys regularly participate in seminars and present programs relating to green building and sustainability matters to various community groups. See "Other" category below for further information.

Waste

✓ Solid Waste Reduction

Whiteford, Taylor & Preston has chosen to discontinue stocking bottles of water in our refrigerators and conference rooms, instead providing each employee with his or her own BPA-free reusable water bottle and filtered water on each floor of our offices. Before we made this switch, we consumed over 86,400 bottles of water annually, and most of these bottles were probably not recycled.

The Whiteford, Taylor & Preston Policy and Procedure Manual instructs all employees to reuse supplies. We have implemented unified communication, which allows users to have faxes sent electronically to their email. As a result, we were able to eliminate 50% of the physical fax machines and enable our professionals to review faxed documents without printing them on paper. For our Baltimore office, the building's waste goes to a sorting facility instead of directly to a landfill.

✓ Recycling

Our offices recycle paper and aluminum cans. We use recycled toner in our printers, and we recycle computer parts.

Energy

☑ Energy Efficiency

Our Baltimore office is in the Wachovia Tower, which was awarded an Energy Star label in 2009 for its operating efficiency. Our Washington and Falls Church offices are in buildings that achieved an Energy Star label for both 2008 and 2009. We reduced Baltimore data center energy consumption by more than 25% in 2009 by introducing blade servers and virtualization technologies.

Transportation

✓ Employee Commute

Whiteford, Taylor & Preston participates in the MTA's Commuter Choice Maryland program. Our Baltimore office is located at the east entrance to the Charles Center Metro Station and within one or two blocks from numerous MTA bus routes, as well as the Purple and Orange Routes of the Charm City Circulator. Additionally, our Washington office is within a half-block of the Farragut North Metrorail Station, on the Red Line, and one and a half blocks of the Farragut West Metrorail Station on the Blue and Orange Lines — as well as stops on sixteen different Metrobus routes, the DC Circulator loop, and the Loudon Commuter bus route. Our Wilmington office sits within two blocks of 21 bus routes and is on the Wilmington Trolley circulator bus route.

✓ Efficient Business Travel

Whiteford, Taylor & Preston has video conferencing available in its Baltimore, Towson, Columbia, Washington, and Falls Church offices, greatly reducing the need for travel between its offices.

Other



- Whiteford, Taylor & Preston is a member of the United States Green Building Council, and our attorneys participate in events and activities of the Maryland and National Capital Region chapters.
- Adam Baker, an Associate in our Towson office, participates in the Chesapeake Sustainable Business Alliance.
- Jennifer Busse, a Partner in our Towson office, is a Member of the Baltimore County Sustainability Network Team of Advisors.
- Edward Lee, a Partner in our Baltimore office, sits on the board of the Maryland Residential Green Building Council of the Home Builders Association of Maryland.
- Will Pearce, a Counsel in our Baltimore office, is a member of the Integrated Community Stakeholder Team for the Broadneck High School Environmental Literacy Signature Program (Anne Arundel County Public Schools).
- Martha Perkins, a Partner in our Washington office, is a member of the Associated General Contractors Green Building Addendum Task Force.
- Lisa Sparks, an Associate in our Baltimore office, is a member of the Green Committee of the Associated Builders and Contractors, Baltimore Chapter.



