

Brian Leiter at Chicago is doing one of his occasional series identifying the top cited legal scholars in a range of substantive areas. One list he has done covers [administrative and environmental scholars](#) – however, his list includes a number of top administrative law scholars who do not focus on environmental and energy law. I thought it might be helpful to our readers to have a list that is focused on scholars who work substantially or primarily on environmental and energy law. Unlike Leiter, I’ve just lumped everyone together without breaking out a separate category for those work only partially in the field—that’s because almost all environmental and energy law scholars could be characterized as working in other areas of law, given the interdisciplinary nature of the work. So of course Cass Sunstein is number one. All the caveats that [Leiter has indicated](#) about the utility of looking at cite counts apply here. In particular, I also want to emphasize that citations are only a partial and imperfect measure of scholarship, which in turn is only a partial measure of what environmental and energy law professors do. My numbers differ slightly from Leiter’s at times because for most of these scholars, I did my own searches. I used the same [basic methodology](#) as Leiter, and these are citations from 2010-2014, inclusive. If any readers identify any errors or omissions, please let me know in the comments or by email.

Rank	First Name	Last Name		
1	Cass	Sunstein	Harvard	5480
2	Dan	Farber	Berkeley	1750
3	Richard	Stewart	NYU	880
4	Jody	Freeman	Harvard	780
4	Richard	Pierce	GWU	780
6	Carol	Rose	Arizona	740
7	Richard	Revesz	NYU	730
8	JB	Ruhl	Vanderbilt	700
9	Jonathan	Adler	Case Western	610
9	Richard	Lazarus	Harvard	610
11	Doug	Kysar	Yale	530
12	Robin Kundis	Craig	Utah	510
13	Tom	McGarity	Texas	500
14	Jim	Salzman	UCLA	490
15	Dan	Tarlock	Chicago-Kent	470

16	Rob	Glicksman	GWU	460
17	Vicki	Been	NYU	450
17	Jim	Rossi	Vanderbilt	450
17	Sidney	Shapiro	Wake Forest	450
20	Holly	Doremus	Berkeley	420
21	Cary	Coglianesse	Penn	410
21	Robert	Percival	Maryland	410
23	Buzz	Thompson	Stanford	390
24	Bill	Buzbee	Georgetown	380
24	Michael	Gerrard	Columbia	380
26	David	Dana	Northwestern	370
26	Wendy	Wagner	Texas	370
28	Jonathan	Nash	Emory	350
29	Daniel	Bodansky	Arizona State	340
29	Michael	Vandenbergh	Vanderbilt	340
29	Brad	Karkkainen	Minnesota	340