



Clark Seif Clark Environmental Newsletter

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Every day, Clark Seif Clark professionals are deployed across the nation helping both large and small customers resolve health & safety, industrial hygiene, environmental and indoor air quality issues.

At a moment's notice, Clark Seif Clark can send their experts anywhere they are needed. No matter if it's in response to a hurricane, wildfire, flood, tornado, or other natural disaster, Clark Seif Clark is ready to help and can respond in no time at all.

Veteran Certified Industrial Hygienist the Newest Addition at Clark Seif Clark

Clark Seif Clark is pleased to announce that William Jones, CIH, CSP, CPE is now part of the company's esteemed group of industry professionals. Mr. Jones brings decades of combined engineering, industrial hygiene, environmental, health and safety experience to benefit CSC's clients.

Mr. Jones has worked as an environmental and safety professional for over 30 years, including a decade as a health, safety and environmental manager. His experience has included addressing regulatory compliance with USDOL - OSHA, Cal/OSHA, U.S. DOT, USEPA, SCAQMD and California DTSC. His consulting experience has covered diverse industries and settings, including: construction, oil and gas, aerospace, public utilities, medical, transportation, building products and warehousing. Mr. Jones holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Oklahoma State University and another in chemistry from the University of Central Oklahoma. He also has a master's degree in public health from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center.

As Vice President of Industrial Hygiene for Clark Seif Clark, Mr. Jones is operating out of CSC's Long Beach office. He has been tasked with the continued growth and management of the company's industrial hygiene department. Mr. Jones will also be providing guidance and technical review of complex industrial hygiene, health

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and safety projects for CSC's clients nationwide.

"It's a pleasure to have Bill join our growing team at CSC and for us to be able to offer his comprehensive expertise to our customers," said Franco Seif, President of Clark Seif Clark. "His expansive knowledge of industrial hygiene, environmental compliance, safety and engineering issues allows CSC to continue to expand our operations while providing our clientele with a true industry veteran."

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Flood Risks, Property Damage and Indoor Environmental Concerns

According to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), a flood is a general and temporary condition where two or more acres of normally dry land or two or more properties are inundated by water or mudflow.

There are many natural and manmade conditions that can result in a flood. They include hurricanes, overtopped levees, outdated or clogged drainage systems and the rapid accumulation of rainfall. Regardless of the cause, a flood can cause devastating damage to a home or business so it's important that people understand flood risks in their area, especially since most standard homeowners insurance policies don't cover it.

Flood risks aren't just based on history; they are also based on a number of factors. These include rainfall, river-flow and tidal-surge, topography, flood-control measures, and changes due to building and development in the area.

Although flooding can happen anywhere, certain areas are especially prone to serious flooding. To help communities understand their risk, Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) have been created to show the locations of high-risk, moderate- to low-risk and undetermined-risk areas.

- In a high-risk area, there is at least a 1 in 4 chance of flooding during a 30-year mortgage. All home and business owners in these areas with mortgages from federally regulated or insured lenders are required to buy flood insurance.
- In moderate- to low-risk areas, the risk of being flooded is reduced, but not completely removed. Flood insurance isn't federally required in moderate- to low-risk areas, but it is recommended for all property owners and renters.

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Is It Safe?

- In undetermined-risk areas, no flood-hazard analysis has been conducted in these areas, but a flood risk still exists.

Residential, commercial and institutional properties with flood damage frequently encounter more than just damaged building materials, belongings or even structural damage. Indoor environmental issues ranging from mold and bacteria to chemical contaminants are common. Older properties with lead-based paints and asbestos-containing materials are also a potential hazard during cleanup, demolition and repair activities.

Clark Seif Clark's building science and indoor environmental quality experts are available to identify these and other types of hazards to protect building occupants and those tasked with repairing damaged properties. These services can also be instrumental for identifying these important issues when filing an insurance claim. In addition, CSC recently sponsored an educational video about flood risks, property damage and indoor environmental concerns that can be seen here:



To learn more about this or other property damage, indoor air quality, occupational, environmental, health and safety testing services, please visit www.csceng.com, email csc@csceng.com or call (800) 807-1118.

About Clark Seif Clark: CSC was established in 1989 to help clients in both the public and private sectors address environmental issues. CSC is a leading provider of these services with multiple offices along the western seaboard and southwest. The company believes in science-based protocols and has a strong background in engineering making them the preferred environmental consultants to healthcare facilities, architects, schools, builders, contractors, developers and real estate professionals.