

ENVIRONMENTAL "LAWFARE": THE FACTS



From the beginning of January 2009 to the end of December 2019, there were 32 public interest environmental cases filed in the Federal Court.

This comprises 0.06% of all cases heard in the period.

Those public interest environmental cases only challenged 0.11% of the decisions made by the Environment department over same duration.

26% of those cases were successful which is comparable to the 22.5% success rate found in previous studies.

Public interest litigation by NGOs has involved low rates of the use of injunctions.