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Lauren Lurkins is the founder of the environmental consulting firm, Lurkins Strategies, LLC.

Prior to opening Lurkins Strategies, LLC, Lauren served as the Director of Environmental Policy at the Illinois Farm Bureau for over 10 years. In that position, Lauren was responsible for advocating on behalf of the organization in the promulgation, implementation and enforcement of local, state and federal environmental legislation and regulation impacting Illinois agriculture. Lauren maintained liaison with various state and federal agencies, and developed and coordinated the organization's environmental programs, communications and information. She also held several leadership positions on university research projects, industry coalitions and agency advisory committees

addressing the issues of environment, climate and conservation at the farm level.

From 2006 until 2013, Lauren practiced environmental law with the law firm of Hodge Dwyer & Driver in Springfield, IL. Her legal experience included both enforcement defense and legislative/regulatory compliance counseling in all areas of environmental law on behalf of a variety of clients.

Lauren holds a bachelor's degree in environmental science from Saint Louis University and earned her law degree from Southern Illinois University School of Law, with a focus on environmental law.

Lauren and her husband, Matt, have one daughter, Caroline and one son, Julian. They live in Bloomington, IL.