

Lawsuits Targeting Plastic Pollution Pile Up as Frustrated Citizens and States Seek Accountability

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Bracewell's **Steven Cook** spoke with *Inside Climate News* about [new litigation from state AG offices](#) raising the stakes in court battles focused on fighting greenwashing and misleading claims about recycling.

A dearth of federal policy on recycling complicates matters and invites litigation, said Cook.

But plastics remain essential to society, he added. "Our modern society doesn't run without (plastics). You can't run a hospital without plastics. You can't get to zero emissions from cars without plastics. Consumers ... wanted packaging that does certain things."

Companies, Cook said, are attempting to address the problem of plastic waste, "but Congress will make a policy choice at some point. Until they do then you go to the courts."

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