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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**The Delaware Riverkeeper to Speak about Environmental Constitutionalism**

**WHAT:** Keynote address by Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper

**WHEN:** Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 1:30 pm

**WHERE:** WVU Jackson's Mill, 160 WVU Jackson Mill, Weston, WV 26452

Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper and leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, will be giving a keynote address about environmental constitutionalism at the "Organizer Training: Power Organizing" workshop presented by Mountain Lakes Preservation Alliance, Sierra Club, and Protect Our Water, Heritage, Rights (POWHR).

Environmental constitutionalism is the subject of van Rossum's book *The Green Amendment: Securing our Right to a Healthy Environment*. She was a petitioner in the landmark Robinson Township, Delaware Riverkeeper Network, et. al. v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania case. The case, decided by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in 2013, breathed legal life into the state's Environmental Rights Amendment for protecting the right to pure water, clean air, and a healthy environment.

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