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EDUCATION

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Washington, DC

May 2011

The George Washington University Law School

Juris Doctor, admitted to the New York and California State Bars

- Presidential Management Fellow (Class of 2011)
- GWU Law Moot Court Board Member and delegate to National Environmental Moot Court Competition (2010, 2011)

Yale University

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations

New Haven, CT

May 2006

EXPERIENCE

The Sierra Club

Oakland, CA

Staff Attorney

September 2017 – present

- Litigating proceedings at the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission, prioritizing clean energy development, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and opposing fossil fuel generation and infrastructure.
- Challenging utility investments and dispatch decisions with respect to coal-fired power plants through general rate cases, investigations, and fuel dockets.
- Leading advocacy in policy-focused regulatory dockets focused on implementing California carbon reduction goals through incentives and programs for renewable energy deployment.
- Advising campaigns on state and regional climate advocacy in the California, Arizona, and Nevada electric sectors.

Clean Coalition

Menlo Park, CA

Staff Attorney

November 2015 – September 2017

- Developed national, state and municipal renewable energy policy with a focus on distributed renewables and transmission grid issues.
- Researched, drafted, and filed comments on renewable energy issues with public energy agencies.
- Lead a legislative campaign in support of SB 692 to change how transmission access charges are assessed on distributed generation in California and to encourage widespread, cost-effective development of local renewables.

U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Renewable Energy Programs

Sterling, VA & Palo Alto, CA

Renewable Energy Specialist

July 2014 – December 2015

- Provided ongoing regulatory analysis for program management, including review of proposed regulatory changes.
- Developed standard operating procedures for the Bureau's offshore renewable energy programs (primarily offshore wind energy) for both the Atlantic and Pacific regional offices.
- Managed the call for proposals and public input for a proposed wind energy area off the New York coast.

Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Washington, DC

Presidential Management Fellow and Program Analyst

May 2012 – July 2014

- Provided analysis and advice to the Assistant Secretary regarding business processes, streamlining of organizational structures, selection of a modernized IT system, and intellectual property issues related to federal grants.
- Acted as a communication conduit between 13 technology offices and program management.
- Managed a series of communities of practice of over 40 employees to compare processes across technology offices to negotiate a standardized procedure for reviews of grant proposals and project management.

Magistrate Judge Marian Payson, U.S. District Court, Western District of New York

Rochester, NY

Law Fellow

February 2012 – May 2012

- Researched legal issues, including proof of value in insurance claims, sovereign immunity of local governments, the Prisoners Litigation Rights Act, waiver of right to counsel, and suppression of evidence from warrant violations.
- Drafted bench memoranda, prepared materials for the court's mediation between parties before trial, and assisted in caseload management.

Knauf Shaw & Future Energy Development LLC

Rochester, NY

Legal Fellow

September 2011 – December 2011

- Drafted memoranda and appellate briefs for submission to federal and state courts on various environmental law issues, including toxic tort claims against corporations and municipalities, latent injury showings, and nuisance claims.
- Prepared brownfield cleanup program applications to remediate and re-develop contaminated properties.
- Critiqued and revised proposed New York legislation to incentivize solar energy development.