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Education

The George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C.

Juris Doctor, May 2012

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

A.B., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology; Certificate, Musical Performance, June 2007

Bar Admissions

- Member, New York State Bar Association April 2013-present
- Member, California State Bar Association June 2013-present

Professional Experience

Environmental Defense Fund, San Francisco, CA

Senior Attorney, Climate and Energy Program

Attorney, Climate and Energy Program

Legal Fellow, US Climate and Energy Program

February 2017 – present

August 2013 – February 2017

August 2012 – August 2013

- Preparation and filing of a range of litigation and regulatory documents including analysis, comments, complaints, briefs, and motions
- Research for and preparation of policy analysis and formal and informal written materials for internal and external audiences, on major legal, legislative, and regulatory issues
- Development of material to influence decision-makers and engage in public education and outreach
- Building and participating in coalitions and collaborations with diverse partners
- Communicating with internal communications staff (web, media, and marketing) to help EDF advance the goals and objectives of the US Climate and Energy Program, with emphasis on important climate and clean energy issues
- Advocating on behalf of the US Climate and Energy Program related to relevant issues of national, regional and local policy on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and securing a clean, sustainable electricity system

Selected Accomplishments

- Lead attorney for several California Public Utilities Commission proceedings related to energy storage, utility vehicle-grid integration pilots, electric vehicle policy, integrated distributed energy resources, demand response, and time-of-use rates
- Successfully negotiated on behalf of EDF in settlement discussions for San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Edison electric vehicle pilot applications filed with the California Public Utilities Commission
- Frequently published on internal EDF blogs, most notably on the topics of electric vehicles and utility business models
 - Recent publications include:
 - [Goodbye, internal combustion! Electric vehicles are rolling in](#)
 - [Southern California Edison attempts to delay renewable-friendly electricity rates](#)
 - [Varied Resource Portfolios to Clean up California's Grid](#)
- Have participated in panels and given talks this year, including:
 - Smart Grid Consumer Collaborative's 2017 Consumer Symposium – *Consumer Driven Technologies Panel*
 - Women in Cleantech and Sustainability – *Future of the Grid*
 - Berkeley-Albany Bar Association – Lunchtime talk on EDF's clean energy work
- Managed, filed, and helped to research and write appellate brief in *Our Children's Earth Foundation v. California Air Resources Board*

- Helped to research and craft legal arguments for *California Chamber of Commerce v. California Air Resources Board*

United States Department of Energy, Washington, D.C.

Legal Intern, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Environment

January 2011 – May 2012

- Researched cases and statutes, including the National Environmental Policy Act, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, relating to environmental compliance of DOE's cleanup, waste management, and current and former defense activities for litigation and compliance manuals
- Assisted in providing advice related to environmental integrity and environmental justice concerns surrounding radioactively-contaminated sites operated by the DOE
- Edited documents and ensured compliance with current legal standards and citation conventions

Education Through Music, New York, NY

August 2007 – June 2009

Development Associate

- Assisted in writing approximately 5-10 grant applications per month
- Wrote stories, formatted lay-out, and selected photos for the quarterly newsletter
- Maintained various data, prepared correspondence, responded to inquiries from school principals and potential donors, and edited documents

Extracurricular Activities & Working Groups

Member, Environmental Defense Fund Diversity Committee

August 2013 – present

Co-chair, EDF Diversity Committee Women & Leadership Subcommittee

June 2017 – present

Co-chair, EDF Climate & Energy Legal Horizontal

July 2016 – present

Member, Showing Up for Racial Justice Bay Area Communications Committee

August 2017 - present

Member, Southern California Edison Disadvantaged Community Working Group

August 2017 – present

Languages

- Basic proficiency of both Ukrainian and German