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Barbara combines her experience in the public and private sectors to help bring projects to completion.

Utilizing her background as a former U.S. Department of Justice litigator and her expertise in matters involving tribal interests, Barbara counsels clients on project development, land use issues, and natural resources-related matters. She has experience resolving challenges involving Fifth Amendment takings, historic preservation, environmental justice, federal lands, tribal consultation, gaming, economic development, and insurance coverage.

Barbara worked as a Trial Attorney in the Environment & Natural Resources Division of the Department of Justice for more than a decade. She defended the United States against breach of trust, environmental, and Fifth Amendment takings claims and in cases involving tribal recognition, land-into-trust decisions, and water rights. She has experience under the Administrative Procedure Act, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA), the Indian Reorganization Act, the Indian Long Term Leasing Act, and the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). Previously, Barbara was a staff attorney for the National Indian Gaming Commission, where she worked with Tribes and gaming management companies to ensure compliance with the IGRA.

During law school, Barbara served as a Dean's Fellow in the legal research and writing program at American University, Washington College of Law, and she later taught as an adjunct instructor in the program. She also authored an article, "Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Plagiarism but were Afraid to Ask," used as definitive guidance in the program for several years.

Education

- North Park University (B.A.)
- DePaul University (M.M.)
 - Voice Performance
- American University (J.D., *magna cum laude*)
 - *American University Law Review*, Articles Editor

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. Court of Appeals – Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court – District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court – Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court – Western District of Virginia

Professional Affiliations

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American Bar Association,

- Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources, Cochair, Public Lands & Natural Resources

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Native American Bar Association DC

Community Involvement

- Board Member, Alliance for New Music-Theatre, Washington, DC
- Commissioner, Historic Alexandria Resources Commission, Alexandria, Virginia
- Soloist and choir member, Dumbarton United Methodist Church, Washington, DC

Honors & Awards

- Professional Service Award, National Indian Gaming Commission, 2021
- Special Commendations for Outstanding Service, DOJ Environment and Natural Resources Division, 2013, 2017

Publications

- Barbara M.R. Marvin, Katherine S. O'Keefe, "Environmental Liabilities," [*The Complete Compliance and Ethics Manual 2024*](#) (Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics).

Language

- German (Intermediate fluency)

Publications

April 18, 2024

Mitigating “Greenwashing” Litigation Risk in the U.S. and Beyond

Beveridge & Diamond

April 10, 2024

EPA Finalizes National Primary Drinking Water Regulation for Certain PFAS

Beveridge & Diamond

April 2, 2024

Ecology to begin Nooksack Water Adjudication in April 2024

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March 28, 2024

Army Corps of Engineers Proposes to Rescind Its Specific Approach to Historic Properties

Beveridge & Diamond

March 27, 2024

2024 Litigation Look Ahead Series: SCOTUS’ Pass on Cases Sets Up Continued Fight Over Tribal Water Rights, State Mineral Development Cases in Coming Year

Beveridge & Diamond

February 9, 2024

Washington Identifies Screening Tools for Initial Contaminated Site EJ Assessments

Beveridge & Diamond

October 6, 2023

EPA Ramps Up Climate Enforcement

Beveridge & Diamond

August 3, 2023

White House Proposes to Again Overhaul NEPA Regulations

Beveridge & Diamond

June 28, 2023

Biden Administration Proposes Undoing Recent ESA Regulatory Reforms and Expanding Section 7 Consultations

Beveridge & Diamond

June 27, 2023

U.S. Supreme Court Declines to Expand the Reserved Water Right

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