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Lauren understands the science of environmental matters, enabling her to provide strategic counsel on regulatory issues, and has a vested interest in progressing corporate sustainability.

Lauren's environmental work focuses on the remediation and proper disposal of hazardous waste and determining the recyclability of products through the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and its state analogues. She also regularly assists Texas, United States, and internationally based corporations on a wide array of compliance and safety matters. For example, she regularly provides creative solutions for waste disposal companies to align with public health goals.

Lauren also counsels clients on ESG and corporate sustainability, including in the navigation of both international and domestic climate disclosures, modern slavery advising, and guidance relating to green marketing messaging. Namely, she created a benchmark of the corporate structure of leaders in the technology sector to aid in the development of a client's ESG strategy and separately drafted a greenwashing litigation and regulatory overview. She is a member of B&D's Sustainability Committee, which is in the process of evaluating the firm's greenhouse gas emissions and updating its sustainability policy.

Before joining B&D, Lauren was an associate at a plaintiff's-side complex litigation firm in Seattle, Washington, where she represented consumer and government-entity plaintiffs in class actions and Multi District Litigations. While pursuing her J.D., she researched international environmental issues for the Global Rights Compliance as part of Vanderbilt Law School's International Law Practice Lab and advised California counties on environmental regulatory compliance as a law clerk at the Environmental Defense Center.

Education

- University of California - Santa Barbara (B.A., 2019)
 - Environmental Studies & Geography
 - Honors College & Distinction in Major
 - Honors Thesis: Frack(in) or Frack(out): A Comparative Study of the Successes and Failures of Santa Barbara County's Measure P and Mendocino County's Measure S
- Vanderbilt University (J.D., 2022)

- Captain, Jessup International Law Moot Court Team
- Thomas C. Banks Award, Outstanding Jessup Team Member
- President, Energy and Environmental Law Society
- Research Assistant to Michael Vandenberg, Director of the Energy, Environment, & Land Use Program
- Appointed Member of Vanderbilt University's Sustainability Advisory Council

Bar Admissions

- Texas
- Washington

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court – Western District of Washington

Publications

Updated May 2, 2025

Carbon Sequestration in Texas: EPA Region 6 Issues Draft Permits for Proposed Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide in Texas

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February 27, 2025

EPR Packaging and Recycled Content Laws Continue to Trend as Legislatures Consider Policies to Address Packaging Waste Challenges

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Updated February 12, 2025

Changing Climate for Corporate Disclosures: SEC Mandates Climate Disclosures for Public Companies

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January 30, 2025

B&D Lawyers Author Environmental Liabilities Chapter of *The Complete Compliance and Ethics Manual*

The Complete Compliance and Ethics Manual

January 16, 2025

Environmental Developments to Watch in California in 2025

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November 14, 2024

Carbon Markets Roundup

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September 25, 2024

Voluntary Carbon Markets: U.S. Increases Focus on Ensuring Market Integrity

Beveridge & Diamond

July 18, 2024

Circular Economy: The European Commission Adopts New Ecodesign Requirements

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July 9, 2024

Canada Amends the Competition Act to Target Greenwashing

Beveridge & Diamond

April 18, 2024

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

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Updated April 4, 2024

EPA Issues Final Rulemaking on Clean Water Act Hazardous Substance Facility Response Plans

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