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Samantha advises on environmental litigation and regulatory matters involving water quality, federal lands, and natural resources.

Before joining Beveridge & Diamond, Sam clerked for the Honorable Thomas T. Cullen of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia, where she drafted opinions, researched complex legal issues, and assisted with hearings and trials.

Sam previously clerked in the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, researching matters involving Tribal affairs, wildlife trafficking, and climate change. She also has experience researching Clean Water Act and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) issues and drafted public comments concerning federal land management. Sam has a particular interest in environmental justice, Indigenous communities, and water issues.

Before law school, Sam worked as an environmental planner and conducted research on offshore wind energy policy. She brings this background in environmental planning, renewable energy, and marine policy to her legal practice.

Education

- University of Maryland (B.S., *magna cum laude*, 2017)
  - Environmental Science and Policy
- University of Delaware (M.M.P., *summa cum laude*, 2021)
  - Knecht and Cicin-Sain Award in Marine Policy
- University of Maryland School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2025)
  - Valedictorian, Class of 2025
  - *Maryland Law Review*, Editor-in-Chief
  - National Moot Court Competition, Regional Best Oralist 2024
  - Legal Writing Fellow & Global Research Scholar

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland

Court Admissions

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

Publications

- Samantha Bingaman, *Nothing at Stake but Life's Essentials: How Sole Reliance on New Textualism Endangers Clean Water and Environmental Justice*, 83 Md. L. Rev. 1313 (2024).
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