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Drawing on her training and experience as an urban planner, Sarah provides a thoughtful perspective on community engagement, conflict resolution, and the regulatory challenges facing environmental projects.

As an environmental planner, Sarah advised federal, state, and local government clients on land use, zoning, watershed planning, infrastructure, and climate resilience. Her work involved navigating competing interests, engaging stakeholders, and developing practical approaches to address environmental and land use challenges.

Sarah also has extensive experience working with agricultural businesses and landowners. At Maine Farmland Trust, she developed and managed a climate resilience program that secured $2.5 million in funding to support climate adaptation, research, and technical assistance for 200 Maine farmers. Earlier in her career, she managed a diversified vegetable farm in New York's Hudson Valley.

Sarah's legal experience includes researching federal administrative law, environmental statutes, water quantity and quality issues, and land use regulations. She previously served as a judicial extern to Judge Kermit V. Lipez of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Resident in Maine. Affiliated with the firm's Boston office.

Education

- Princeton University (B.A., *cum laude*, 2013)
  - Comparative Literature
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.C.P., 2024)
  - Focus on Environmental Policy and Planning
  - Thesis: PFAS and the Future of Rural Land
- University of Maine School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2026)
  - Environmental Law Award

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Publications

October 15, 2025
Environmental Developments to Watch in New England
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July 28, 2025
Beyond Review: Water Contract Conversion, Reclamation Law, and California's Central Valley Project
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June 11, 2025
Maine Enacts New Reporting Requirement for Landowners Enrolled in Forest Carbon Credit Initiatives
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