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Sam Savoni focuses her practice on a variety of environmental and land use matters, including those dealing with the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act, Clean Water Act, National Historic Preservation Act, California Environmental Quality Act and associated land use and environmental protection regulations. Sam has extensive experience representing renewable energy developers, public agencies, landowners and industry organizations in matters involving federal, state and local permitting issues, land use due diligence and environmental litigation. Sam frequently provides renewable energy facilities with federal and state natural resource and wildlife law compliance advice, risk assessments, and permitting opinions. She also frequently prepares comment letters on federal environmental law rulemakings. Additionally, Sam regularly assists public agencies in developing and adhering to compliance strategies related to the California Public Records Act.

While in law school, Sam performed as Staff Editor for the *University of California Irvine Law Review*, served as a Legal Research and Writing Teacher's Assistant for two semesters, was a member of the Environmental Law Society, and worked with multiple organizations providing pro bono legal assistance, including the Orange County Legal Aid Society, the Poverty Law Clinic and the UCI Environmental Law Clinic.

Sam regularly comments on news affecting endangered species issues in California and throughout the United States on the Firm's *Endangered Species Law & Policy* blog.>

INSIGHTS

PUBLICATIONS

Author, "Ninth Circuit's 'Primary Purpose' Test Governs for Dual-Purpose Attorney-Client Communications," *Nossaman eAlert*, 03.21.2023

Co-Author, "Fish and Game Commission Violated Law by Seeking to Protect Bees Under CESA," *Nossaman eAlert*, 11.20.2020

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

Environmental Law Society, Member

Public Law Center Advocates, Member

HONORS

Faculty Award, Lawyering Skills
Dean's Honors

PRACTICES

Environment & Land Use
Litigation

EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine School of Law, J.D., 2019; Staff Editor, *UC Irvine Law Review*
University of California, Berkeley, B.S., 2015; Sigma Alpha Pi, with *highest honors*

ADMISSIONS

California
U.S. District Court, Central District of California