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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, California Environmental Quality Act, California Endangered Species Act and associated land use and environmental protection regulations. Sam assists in 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. She has assisted public agencies in their preparation of environmental review documentation for large infrastructure projects, and also regularly prepares legal research memoranda on issues involving compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act and the California Public Records Act. Sam also helps provide renewable energy facilities with federal natural resource compliance advice and risk assessments.

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 *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