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Areas of Practice

Commercial &
Complex Litigation

Energy, Environment &
Natural Resources Law

Appellate

Bar Admissions

Nevada
New York

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court,
District of Nevada

U.S. District Court,
Southern and Eastern Districts
of New York

Education

J.D., New York Law School, *cum laude*, June 2012

B.A., Whitman College, *cum laude*, History with Honors,
May 2006

Honors

New York Law School Law Review,
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PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Sarah Ferguson is an associate with the firm's litigation department where her practice focuses on complex commercial litigation and natural resources law. Ms. Ferguson has represented clients in a variety of industries, including aerospace, mining, energy, financial services, and pharmaceutical companies in both state and federal courts. She has extensive experience handling all phases of litigation from court appearances to managing large case teams, drafting dispositive motions, and conducting depositions.

Ms. Ferguson is committed to serving the Reno community, and, to that end, has an active *pro bono* practice, including direct services and community outreach.

Ms. Ferguson is a Reno native, and before returning to Nevada she practiced as a litigator in New York City, focusing on white collar defense and commercial litigation matters. She also served as a law clerk for the Hon. Howard D. McKibben of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Business Litigation

- Defense of Nevada energy firm in a breach of contract appeal before U.S. Civilian Board of Contract Appeals resulting in a favorable settlement
- Representation of mining industry leader in a breach of warranty case involving steel pipes for transporting pastefill
- Representation of mining company in action related to breach of contract for claim royalty payments
- Representation of multi-national energy company in shareholder derivative class action
- Representation of financial guaranty insurer in prosecuting breach of contract and fraudulent inducement case involving mortgage-backed securities
- Defense of law firm and attorney against malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty claims stemming from a multi-year litigation over a call option, culminating in settlement
- Defense of aircraft manufacturer in breach of contract and trade secrets action, culminating in settlement

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White Collar

- Representation of multiple employees of large financial institution in internal investigation into OSHA complaint and related whistleblower allegations
- Representation of multiple employees of large financial institution under investigation by DOJ related to foreign exchange practices

PRO BONO

- Successful upgrade of refugee family's immigration status
- Representation of children in dependency proceedings in family court
- Representation of over 90 former tenants in suit against landlord for property damage caused by a fire
- Advising a NYC not-for-profit on employment matters



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Nevada Museum of Art Contemporaries – Founding Member

Reno Human Rights Commission – Commissioner

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