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### Practice Areas

Air Quality & Climate Change | Appellate & Writ Practice | CEQA / NEPA |  
Endangered Species | Land Use | Real Property & Land Use Litigation |  
Regulatory Law & Business Permitting | Water Law

Megan (pronounced Mēgan) Unger is dedicated to helping her public and private sector clients navigate complex environmental, land use, and regulatory issues.

She utilizes her knowledge of both state and federal environmental law to meet the needs of her clients in the forever changing regulatory field. Megan's enthusiasm and passion for environmental law aid her in assisting clients with a wide range of legal issues including compliance with various environmental regulations.

While attending University of California, Hastings College of the Law, Megan served as a Sack Teaching Fellow for Torts and a Teaching Assistant for Legal Research and Writing courses. Under the *Hastings Law Journal*, she was an Articles Editor and Diversity Committee member. Megan was also a mentor to first-year students through the UC Hastings Women's Law Society.

## Experience

- Assisted in successfully defending against a motion for attorneys' fees arising out of a denial of a Petition for Writ of Mandate on behalf of a sand mining company.
- Assisted in the representation of a Muslim community group in connection with CEQA compliance and litigation arising out of an application to construct a religious and community center in San Martin, California.
- Assisted in counseling a waste management company regarding the regulation enforcement histories of sites similar to their own.
- Assisted in compiling and tracking housing-related legislation.

## Professional & Community Service

- Association of Environmental Professionals, 2021
- Women in Environment, 2021

- Biden for President, Campaign Volunteer, 2020
- UC Hastings Women's Law Society, Student Mentor, 2018-2020
- *Hastings Law Journal*, Articles Editor and Diversity Committee member

## Education

- J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of California, Hastings College of the Law, 2020
- B.A., *magna cum laude*, Loyola Marymount University, 2014

## Honors & Rankings

- Order of the Coif
- UC Hastings Honor Society, 2017-2020
- CALI Awards for Highest Score in Legal Research & Writing, American Indian Law, and Criminal Law
- Witkin Awards for Highest Grade in Torts and Food Justice
- Dean's Recognition for Professional Development, University of California, Hastings College of the Law, 2018
- Program Scholar Award, Environmental Studies, Loyola Marymount University, 2014
- Dean's List, Loyola Marymount University, 2010-2014

## Publications

- *U.S. EPA Publishes the Clean Air Act Cost-Benefit Rule Amidst Opposition and the End of the Trump Administration*, Environmental, Energy & Climate Change Law and Regulation Reporter, Volume 1, Number 5, February 2021
- *Barriers to Fully Informed Decisions on Whether to Breastfeed or Formula Feed in the United States*, Hastings Women's Law Journal, Volume 31, Number 2, 2019
- *Will the Wave of PFAS Litigation Sweep Through California?*, Daily Journal, July 11, 2019