

## Resume

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### EXPERIENCE

#### Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

##### **Habitat Policy Analyst**

October 2018 - present

- Water resources policy advisor for 20 Western Washington treaty tribes and Commission leadership.
- Leads Washington Coordinated Tribal Water Quality Program.
- Develops administrative records for potential water quality litigation.
- Coordinates and supports tribal engagement in legislative and administrative policy processes.
- Secured riparian habitat amendment in Governor Inslee's Climate Commitment Act (SB 5126, 2021).
- Policy project management.

#### Supreme Court of Washington

**Judicial Law Clerk**, Honorable Debra L. Stephens, Associate Justice.

August 2017 – October 2018

- Legal research and writing, drafted legal memos and court opinions. Supervised legal externs.

#### Lewis and Clark Law School

##### **Research Assistant, Environmental Law Program**

June 2016 – March 2017

- Researched Columbia River basin law and policy issues, revised treatise along with environmental law faculty with emphasis on: salmon fisheries, Northwest Power Act, Endangered Species Act, Columbia River Treaty, American Indian treaties and case law, water law, and other applicable law and policies.

#### U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - Special Assistant, Schedule C Presidential Appointment

##### **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS):**

June 2009 – June 2016

- Chaired Tribal Engagement Working Group, Gulf of Mexico Ecosystem Restoration (RESTORE) Council.
- Represented USDA on Executive Committee of the RESTORE Council.
- USDA Team Lead, National Ocean Policy.
- USDA Team Lead, Environmental Justice (EJ). Facilitated collaboration with other federal EJ programs.
- Policy Advisor to USDA Deputy Undersecretary for Natural Resources and Environment, Puget Sound Federal Caucus.
- NRCS Lead for American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA): Authored ARRA reports for USDA Secretary, White House, and Congress; Led team that obligated and disbursed \$340 million watersheds restoration appropriation; Developed performance plans for two-dozen staff with ARRA responsibility.
- Researched and Interpreted Farm Bills, American Indian law, Civil Rights Act, and other applicable laws. Developed policy and legal recommendations for USDA leadership.

##### **Detail: USDA Office of General Counsel, Natural Resources and Environment:**

June 2013-Sept. 2014

- Advised USDA leadership regarding Deepwater Horizon oil spill law and policy.
- Researched and interpreted RESTORE Act, Clean Water Act, Oil Pollution Act, Endangered Species Act, Farm Bills, 1872 Mining Act, American Indian law, US Forest Service statutes, water law, treaties and case law; developed legal and policy recommendations for USDA leadership.

##### **Detail: USDA Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights:**

June-December 2011

- USDA Hispanic & Women Farmer Claims Program.
- Coordinated national outreach with Latino and women's bar associations, law schools, and legal aid.
- Coordinated Office of Civil Rights drafting, review, and editing of adjudication program claims forms.