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PRACTICES

Endangered Species & Wildlife
Litigation & Investigations
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EDUCATION

Washington University School of
Law
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BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia Bar
Illinois State Bar

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Professional Background

Sam Kalen is a Senior Environmental and Resources Law Consultant at Van Ness Feldman and an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Wyoming College of Law. He has represented clients before the courts, federal agencies, and Congress in the areas of environmental, natural resources, Indian, administrative, and energy law. He has advised clients and appeared before courts on a wide range of issues, including the scope of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), the application of and compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a host of federal Indian law issues, as well as the scope of and compliance with the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act.

As a former Special Assistant to the Associate Solicitor for Minerals and Resources, Department of the Interior, Sam also advised the Interior Department on matters involving the ESA and NEPA, as well as issues regarding our Nation's public land laws and western water law. As a law professor, Sam has taught courses in a variety of areas, including federal energy law, environmental law, federal Native America law, administrative and constitutional law, as well as civil procedure and legal history.

Government Service

U.S. Department of the Interior

Attorney, Office of the Solicitor, 1994-1996

The Supreme Court of Missouri

Law Clerk for the Honorable Warren D. Welliver, 1984-1986

Awards and Honors

Super Lawyers

2013-2015

Articles and Presentations

- ESA Endangered Species Act (2nd ed. 2012), Basic Practice Series, American Bar Association , 10/01/2012
- The Dormant Commerce Clause and the Environment, in Principles of Constitutional Environmental Law, Principles of Constitutional Environmental Law (J. May, ed. 2011) American Bar Association, 10/01/2011
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- Replacing a National Energy Policy with a National Resource Policy, *Natural Resources and Environment*, Vol. 19 Issue 3 pp. 9-14, 12/01/2005
- An 1872 Mining Law for the New Millennium, *University of Colorado Law Review*, Vol. 71 pp. 343, 06/01/2000
- No Relief for Landowners: 7th Circuit Bars Recovery of Cleanup Costs Incurred After Filing RCRA Suit, *Legal Times*, pp. S32, 05/24/1999
- Commerce to Conservation: The Call for a National Water Policy and the Evolution of Federal Jurisdiction Over Wetlands, *North Dakota Law Review*, Vol. 69 pp. 873, 01/01/1994

Alerts

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