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Brooke Wangsgard practices at the intersection of water rights and land use law, combining both public and private sector experience to deliver results for clients.

Her practice encompasses advisory, litigation and regulatory matters across a wide variety of industries, including water, land use, environmental compliance and cannabis. Brooke regularly works on water rights due diligence and related litigation and counsels clients on compliance with state and federal environmental laws such as the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Clean Water Act (CWA). She also assists in complex land use transactions and regulatory compliance, including navigating the permitting and licensing requirements for clients ranging from public agencies to cannabis and industrial hemp growers.

Prior to joining Brownstein, Brooke managed public contracts at a Southern California water district and worked as an associate attorney at a Salt Lake City-based law firm where she developed her broad understanding of water law. Before that, she served two one-year clerkships with the Honorable Tena Campbell of the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah and Judge Michele Christiansen of the Utah Court of Appeals.

Practices

Energy & Natural Resources, Environmental & Remediation, Land Use, NEPA/CEQA, Water

Publications & Presentations

- Watering the Weed,
Moderator, Groundwater Resources Association of California Second Annual Western Groundwater Congress, September 18, 2019
- CEQA News You Can Use - Vol. 4, Issue 2, *Brownstein Client Alert*, August 2019
- Legal Cannabis Ushers in New Era of Water Regulation in California,
Speaker, ACWA, Monterey, CA, May 10, 2019
- CEQA News You Can Use - Vol. 4, Issue 1, *Brownstein Client Alert*, January 2019

Education

- J.D., 2013, University of California, Hastings College of Law
- B.A., 2010, University of California at Santa Barbara

Admissions

- California
- Utah