

**Rachel L. B. Stevens**

EXPERIENCE

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**Environmental Justice Clinic**, Vermont Law School  
*Staff Attorney & Assistant Professor* South Royalton, VT  
Aug. 2019–present

**Environmental Advocacy Clinic**, Vermont Law School  
*Staff Attorney & Assistant Professor* South Royalton, VT  
*Staff Attorney & LL.M. Fellow* June 2016–present  
May 2014–June 2016

Manage complex public interest environmental litigation in state and federal courts, and administrative proceedings on behalf of non-profit organizations and impacted community members. Supervise student clinicians in their casework, provide instruction on legal research and case development, review work product and give written feedback, facilitate discussion during case review meetings, and teach practical lawyering skills in bi-weekly seminars.

***UN Observer Delegate***  
Fall 2015

Represented Vermont Law School as a non-governmental observer delegate at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change's (UNFCCC) COP 21 during the Paris Agreement negotiations. Specifically, researched and observed sessions related to technology development and capacity building for least developed countries, including sessions related to infrastructure of food, transportation, and water systems.

**Sierra Club, Vermont Chapter** Montpelier, VT  
*Chair, Executive Committee* 2015–present

Chair the Executive Committee that governs the volunteer organization. Engage in community organizing across Vermont and plan educational events, outings, and community service projects supporting campaigns. Research, analyze, and report to Chapter on legal and policy issues concerning water, energy, forestlands, and wildlife. Attend public hearings and legislative committee meetings. Draft letters to the editor, policy briefs, and public comments on proposed rules and bills. Fundraise and draft grants.

**Sierra Club, Board of Directors**  
*Climate Adaptation Task Force Consultant* Aug. 2018  
*Funding Allocation Review Working Group* Feb. 2020

**The Witcher Law Firm** Decatur, GA  
*Law Clerk* Aug. 2013–Mar. 2014

**Environmental & Natural Resources Law Clinic** South Royalton, VT  
*Student Clinician* Aug. 2012–May 2013

CLEA Outstanding Student Award Recipient

**Stack & Associates, P.C.**

*Law Clerk*

Atlanta, GA

Summer 2012

**Office of the Georgia Capital Defenders**

*Intern*

Atlanta, GA

Fall 2009

**EDUCATION**

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**Vermont Law School**, South Royalton, VT

*Juris Doctor*, May 2013

*Master of Environmental Law and Policy*, May 2013

*LL.M. in Environmental Law, magna cum laude*, February 2017

**University of Georgia**, Athens, GA

*Bachelor of Arts* in English, History, and Spanish, May 2009

**PUBLICATIONS**

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Rachel Stevens & Gabriela McMurtry, *Courts and States Uphold Environmental Interests as EPA Favors Toxic Chemicals*, Vermont Law Top 10 Env'tl. Watch List 2019, Vt. J. of Env'tl. Law, available at <http://vjel.vermontlaw.edu/topten/courts-states-uphold-environmental-interests-epa-favors-toxic-chemicals/>.

Rachel Stevens & Kyle Sasser, *Pulling the Teeth Out of the Endangered Species Act*, Vermont Law Top 10 Env'tl. Watch List 2018, Vt. J. of Env'tl. Law, available at <http://vjel.vermontlaw.edu/topten/pulling-teeth-endangered-species-act/>.

Patrick Parenteau & Rachel Stevens, *Settlement in Vermont Clean Water Case May Serve as Model for Managing New Discharges into Impaired Waters*, Environmental Law Prof Blog, available at <http://goo.gl/ZyfpbS>.

**BAR MEMBERSHIP**

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State of Georgia

State of Vermont

U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit