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Sam is an experienced advocate for his clients, helping companies define what a 'win' means to protect their business interests in court or alternative dispute resolution.

PRACTICES

Business Litigation
Government Contracts
Environmental Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Aerospace and Defense

EDUCATION

Air Command and Staff College, M.A.,
Military Operational Art and Science,
2016

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D.,
2009
cum laude

United States Air Force Academy, B.S.,
2002

BAR ADMISSIONS

Wisconsin
Wyoming

Companies look to Sam for innovative solutions to their environmental issues, contract disputes, and appeals. Leveraging his years of courtroom experience, Sam works with stakeholders through all phases of litigation to provide strategic guidance and insights.

Sam has cultivated a dynamic practice, having served in the US Air Force for more than ten years, including in Judge Advocate roles advising decision makers on a broad set of national security issues to include serving as a Deputy Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He also served for three years as General Counsel/Chief of Staff for an independent Department of Defense (DoD) advisory committee tasked with developing defense acquisition reform measures for DoD and Congress, where he gained knowledge of acquisition statutes regulations and bid protests. He represented the United States and the DoD at the International Criminal Court Assembly of State Parties in The Hague.

In addition to his legal practice, Sam has spent time teaching new attorneys in The Air Force Judge Advocate General's School, where he was also the editor in chief of *The Reporter*.

PUBLICATIONS

"809 Corner: When "Full and Open" Competition is Neither, It's Time for a Change," Co-Author, Ralph Nash, 08/09/2019

"TransDigm's excess profits show weakness in supply chain management, not pricing practices," *DefenseNews*, 06/03/2019

"War of the Acquisition Reformers: 809 Panel Defends New Commercial Approach," *Breaking Defense*, 04/30/2019

"Section 809 Panel Viewpoint: Time to Declutter, Reorganize Acquisition Code," *National Defense Magazine*, 09/21/2018

"The Cyber Threat and Globalization: The Impact on U.S. National and International Security - Normalizing Cyber Disruption as an Element of National Power," *e-book*, 06/26/2018

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Ewing T. Kerr American Inn of Court, President-Elect