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**Michaela brings a strong administrative law background to her environmental, energy, and natural resources practice, where she represents clients in litigation, corporate, and administrative matters related to federal regulatory questions, project permitting, energy development, and water rights.**

She provides sustained support to clients on energy and mining projects, helping them navigate the regulatory, procedural, and transactional matters that touch land use, permitting, facility operations, and service arrangements. Her work involves following project opposition and preparing briefing on NEPA questions as developments move through permitting, and examining environmental issues as part of the diligence process in large corporate deals. She also guides public and private clients through water rights matters. In addition, Michaela handles litigation over contract and property disputes for clients such as mining operators and local government entities.

### PRACTICES

Environmental

### INDUSTRIES

Energy and Resources

### EDUCATION

George Washington University School of Law, J.D., 2022

Duke University, B.A., 2017

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Utah  
District of Columbia

### COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Federal Claims