

Diana J. Abbott is a member of the firm's water law practice group. Her practice specializes in helping clients navigate complex water rights issues, specifically the water rights adjudication process in Montana.



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Biography

Diana J. Abbott received her J.D., cum laude, from Vermont Law School in 2022. During her first two summers of law school, Ms. Abbott interned for the Trout Unlimited legal team based in Bozeman, Montana, assisting their attorneys in the water rights adjudication process before the Montana Water Court and DNRC water permit actions. Ms. Abbott also participated in unprecedented Clean Water Act issues while interning at Trout Unlimited and as a student clinician at the Environmental Advocacy Clinic at Vermont Law School.

During her final year of law school, Ms. Abbott worked as a judicial extern and intern for Chief Water Judge Russell McElyea, Associate Water Judge Stephen Brown and various Water Masters at the Montana Water Court. As the top student in an Environmental Dispute Resolution course focusing on negotiation and mediation, Ms. Abbott received the Academic Excellence Award.

In 2018, Ms. Abbott received her B.S. in Business Administration, summa cum laude, from Colby-Sawyer College. Outside of her legal career, Ms. Abbott enjoys skiing, fly fishing and hiking with her husband Alex and Australian Shepherd named Jack.

Accomplishments

Academic

Vermont Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 2022

Colby-Sawyer College, B.S., Business Administration, *summa cum laude*, 2018

Associations

Professional

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Capabilities

Environmental & Natural Resources
Water Rights, Quality & Infrastructure
Agriculture

Licensed/Admitted

Montana

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