

## Contact

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## Top Skills

Wine

Sommelier

Food & Beverage

## Languages

English (Native or Bilingual)

French (Elementary)

## Certifications

Certified Specialist in Wine

Minnesota State Bar

# Marissa Knodel

Senior Advisor, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management at U.S. Department of the Interior  
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

## Experience

### Cranes Spanish Kaiseki

Sommelier

October 2022 - Present (1 year 1 month)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

### U.S. Department of the Interior

Advisor, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

January 2021 - Present (2 years 10 months)

Washington, District of Columbia, United States

### Earthjustice

Legislative Counsel

April 2017 - January 2021 (3 years 10 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

### Friends of the Earth

Climate Campaigner, Climate & Energy Team

June 2014 - April 2017 (2 years 11 months)

Washington, D.C.

Developed a national campaign to limit and end federal fossil fuel development on public lands and waters through coalition building, legal memoranda, legislative lobbying, reports, and traditional and social media.

### Barbara J. Goldsmith & Company LLC Environmental Management Consulting Services

Environmental Projects Consultant

June 2014 - December 2014 (7 months)

Compiled a database of legal actions taken by European Union countries to enforce the European Liability Directive.

### Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies

Understanding Environmental Campaigns and Policymaking, Teaching Fellow

January 2014 - May 2014 (5 months)

New Haven, CT

Assist the instruction and coordination of 13 classes and 3 workshops to teach students the process and skills of successful environmental campaigns and policymaking.

### Yale University Environmental Protection Clinic

Researcher

January 2014 - May 2014 (5 months)

New Haven, CT

Compiled a lexicon of environmental justice terms to assist agency compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (Client: U.S. EPA Office of Environmental Justice)

Proposed and wrote a nomination for protection of the central Arctic Ocean through the World Heritage Convention

### Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy

Research Assistant

September 2012 - May 2014 (1 year 9 months)

New Haven, CT

Supported and enhanced the Environmental Performance Index project through research and writing about how countries, institutions, and businesses develop and use sustainability indicators and indices to improve their environmental performance.

Developed indicators of implementation and enforcement of multilateral environmental agreements for the Environmental Conventions Initiative with the University of Massachusetts Center for Governance and Sustainability.

### IUCN

Intern

September 2013 - December 2013 (4 months)

Research and develop a series of papers to inform a potential international agreement for the conservation of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction.

### Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies

Independent Researcher

October 2012 - December 2013 (1 year 3 months)

Anchorage and Kivalina, Alaska

Interviewed environmental scientists, lawyers, activists and community members in Anchorage and Kivalina about legal, political, social and cultural adaptation responses to climate change among indigenous communities.

My interviews and research resulted in a paper, Conceptualizing Climate Justice in Kivalina, published in the Seattle University Law Review in June 2014.

### Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide

#### Legal Intern

June 2013 - August 2013 (3 months)

Researched and wrote legal memos related to wetland development, mining projects, environmental impact assessments, pollution, and climate change on behalf of lawyers who represent vulnerable communities in foreign countries.

### Jewell Towne Vineyards

#### Intern

June 2010 - August 2010 (3 months)

- Represented Jewell Towne Vineyard and sold wine at New Hampshire Farmers' Markets and fundraisers
- Aided the vineyard manager in wine bottling and viticulture
- Provided patrons with quality and educational wine-tasting experience
- Researched and wrote a sustainability assessment report and recipe book

### Dartmouth College

2 years 10 months

#### Sustainability Programs Specialist

September 2009 - June 2010 (10 months)

- Assisted the Sustainability Manager to research and institutionalize policies and practices that promote sustainability.
- Managed student environmental groups and projects.

### Assistant baker, Collis Cafe

September 2007 - June 2010 (2 years 10 months)

Prepared and assisted the head baker in cooking breakfast and dessert pastries.

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## Education

## Yale University

Master of Environmental Management (MEM), Environmental law, climate & environmental justice · (2012 - 2014)

## Vermont Law School

JD, Environmental Law · (2010 - 2012)

## Dartmouth College

B.A., Environmental Studies, International Public Policy · (2005 - 2009)