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Hillary Sanborn is a senior associate with Alston & Bird's Environmental, Land Use & Resources Group.

Hillary's experience includes advising clients on matters involving the Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Water Act (CWA), Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). She has also handled a number of matters involving the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Department of Transportation, and the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration in particular, and understands and has counseled clients on emissions for traditional and alternative-fueled vehicles, autonomous driving, and locomotive regulations.

Hillary earned her J.D., magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, from the Georgetown University Law Center, where she served as the executive editor for the *American Criminal Law Review*. She also participated in the Georgetown Law Appellate Law Clinic. She earned her B.A., cum laude, in American studies and government from Georgetown University.

Representative Experience

- Represented a major automaker during investigations and negotiations with the EPA and the California Air Resources Board regarding compliance with greenhouse gas, fuel economy, and criteria pollutant emissions regulations.
- Counseled a municipal power company on numerous environmental issues, including compliance with RCRA hazardous waste management requirements, CAA permitting and reporting, asset sales, and enforcement actions under CERCLA before the EPA and local environmental authorities.
- Assisted a major U.S. manufacturer in conducting an internal investigation and subsequent discussions with state and federal authorities regarding potential CWA and TSCA violations.
- Advised numerous domestic and international automakers on compliance issues arising from federal greenhouse gas and fuel economy rulemaking efforts, state zero emission vehicle mandates, and credit opportunities.
- Drafted a white paper for a major U.S. company providing an overview of the regulatory landscape at the federal and state level regarding autonomous vehicles including a description of the relevant technology, potentially applicable rules and exemption opportunities, and policy perspectives.

Education

- Georgetown University (J.D., 2017)
- Georgetown University (B.A., 2013)

Languages

- Spanish

Admitted to Practice

- District of Columbia
- New York

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