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Sarah Adams-Schoen is an Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Oregon School of Law where she teaches Land Use Law, State and Local Government Law and Ocean and Coastal Law. She is a faculty member of Oregon Law's Environmental and Natural Resources Law Center where she supervisors the Sustainable Land Use Project and the Oceans, Coasts and Watersheds Project. She brings to her teaching and research more than a decade of law practice experience. Prior to embarking on her legal career, she received a Masters in Economics from the London School of Economics and worked as a senior policy analyst for Portland, Oregon's Metro Regional Government. She received her J.D. magna cum laude from Lewis & Clark Law School.

She is a leading scholar on state and local law and policy related to climate resilience. She recently served on a Rulemaking Advisory Committee charged with recommending the implementing regulations for Oregon's new middle housing law and housing production strategy, and currently serves on a Rulemaking Advisory Committee charged with implementing land use and transportation planning aspects of the Oregon's Governor's 2020 Executive Order on Climate Change and Environmental Justice. She has also been called on by state and national bar committees, private foundations, and government agencies including the Environmental Protection and Federal Emergency Management agencies to provide guidance related to coastal resilience. She has been the Principal Investigator on two projects related to enhancing local climate resilience and one project related to facilitating wind energy development through amendment of local land use laws.

Professor Adams-Schoen has presented her research to a wide array of audiences including at the American Association of Law Schools Environmental Law Section annual meeting, American Bar Association State & Local Government Law Section spring and fall meetings, Arkansas Environmental Policy Summit, Columbia Journal of Environmental Law Climate Change Symposium, Greentree Foundation Stakeholder Workshop on Water Quality Challenges Facing Long Island, New York Department of State and United States Geologic Survey Conference on Water Resource Management, New York Planning Federation Summer School, Natural Resources Law Teachers Institute, and the Sabin Colloquium on Innovative Environmental Law Scholarship at Columbia Law School.

She has published two treatise chapters, a book chapter, and numerous articles in legal periodicals, including the *ABA Journal on Affordable Housing*, *Columbia Journal of Environmental Law*, *Environmental Law Reporter*, *Michigan Journal of Environmental and Administrative Law*, *The Urban Lawyer*, and *Zoning and Planning Law Reports*.
She is admitted to the Oregon State Bar as a Pro Bono Member and to the Federal Bar for the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon. She serves on the editorial board of the Urban Lawyer, as Co-Chair of the Land Use Committee of the ABA State and Local Government Law Section, and on the board of Housing Land Advocates, an Oregon nonprofit dedicated to land use and fair and equitable housing. She is also the past chair of OGALLA: The LGBT Bar Association of Oregon.