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Ms. Lewis focuses her practice on natural resources issues, primarily water law. She has worked with both individual rural water users and organized water entities to settle or litigate complex water disputes. In 2018, Ms. Lewis was appointed as an adjunct faculty member at the S.J. Quinney College of Law and currently teaches water law courses. Prior to joining Clyde Snow, she represented the Utah State Engineer in comprehensive Water Rights General Adjudications across the state.

## Education

- Juris Doctor, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah (2010)
- Bachelor of Arts, Political Theory and Constitutional Democracy, Michigan State University (2005)
- Bachelor of Arts, Social Relations, Michigan State University (2005)

## Awards and Honors

- Utah Legal Elite, Energy & Natural Resources, *Utah Business Magazine* (2020)
- Utah Legal Elite, Up and Coming, *Utah Business Magazine* (2017-2018)
- Star of the Quarter, Young Lawyers Division of the Utah State Bar (2nd Quarter, 2017)

## Professional Affiliations

- Adjunct Assistant Professor, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah (2018-present)
- Utah Lake Jordan River Water Rights General Adjudication Objectors' Advisory Committee – Co-Chair (2016–2017)
- Wallace Stegner Center 22nd Annual Symposium – Water in the West: Exploring Untapped Solutions – Steering Committee (2017)
- Utah Bar Association Young Lawyers Division – Board of Directors: Green Team Committee Chair (2015–2016)

## PRACTICES

- Water Rights Resources
- Natural Resources
- Water Rights Litigation
- Administrative Law
- Water Quality
- Energy
- Real Estate and Real Property
- Environmental Litigation

## BAR ADMISSIONS

Utah (2010)  
Wyoming (2016)

## WEB PROFILES



- Breathe Utah – Vice President Board of Directors (2014–2016)
- S.J. Quinney College of Law Green Team – Alumni Representative (2014–2015)

## Speaking Engagements

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- “Utah Water Banking - What’s Next?,” 2020 Utah Water Law & Policy Seminar (March 2020 – St. George, Utah)
- “Water Banking,” Wallace Stegner Center Greenbag Luncheon - University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law (February 2020 - Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Water Rights in Utah,” National Business Institute (February 2020 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Harnessing the Opportunity of Technology: Exploring the Intersection of Technology and the Application of Duty Values,” CLE International 27th Annual Utah Water Law Conference (October 2019 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Business Contracts in 10 Simple Steps,” National Business Institute (June 2019 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Resiliency Planning: Water Banking Pilot Program,” AWRA Utah Annual Water Resources Conference (May 2019 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Water Markets and Water Banking,” Northern Utah Water Conference (April 2019 – Logan, Utah)
- “Updates on Water Banking in Utah,” 2019 Utah Water Users Workshop, Co-Presenter / Panel Discussion (March 2019 – St. George, Utah)
- “Water Banking,” Rural Water Technology Alliance (March 2019 – Provo, Utah)
- “2019 Water Law Legislative Preview,” Utah State Bar Brownbag Luncheon, ENREL Section (January 2019 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Water Banking,” 2019 Legislative Water Rally - Rural Water Association of Utah (January 2019 – North Salt Lake, Utah)
- “The Utah Lake Jordan River Adjudication - Tricks and Tips for Catching a Speeding Train,” CLE International 26th Annual Utah Water Law Conference: Exploring Untapped Solutions to Water Issues (October 2018 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Utah Lake Jordan River Water Rights General Adjudication Update: Speed and Surety?,” Women of Water (March 2018 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Irrigation Company Bylaws & State Law,” 2018 Utah Water Users Workshop, Co-Presenter (March 2018 – St. George, Utah)
- “Utah Lake Jordan River Water Rights General Adjudication Update: Speed and Surety?,” Rural Water Technology Alliance Annual Conference and Training (March 2018 – Provo, Utah)
- “Where are we, and What is Next?: How Movements in Tribal Federal Reserved Water Rights Doctrine May Affect Utah Water Law,” Utah State Bar Brownbag Luncheon, Indian Law Section (February 2018 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Utah Water Law – What Law Students Should Know About the Practice of Utah Water Law,” Lecturer, University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, 2017 Water Law Course (September 2017 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Key Water Law Considerations for a Real Estate Practice,” Ballard Spahr, Real Estate Group Monthly Luncheon (August 2017 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Water Law for Practicing Relators,” Berkshire Hathaway Homeservices Utah Properties Monthly In-service (July 2017 – Park City, Utah)

- “Coming Down the Pipe: Pertinent Actions and Movements in Utah Water Law,” Rural Water Technology Alliance Annual Training and Conference (March 2017 – Provo, Utah)
- “Utah Water Law – Contemporary History: Balancing Acts and Practical Applications,” University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law Water Law Course, Guest Lecture (March 2017 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Meeting a New Reality: Exploring How Sister States Approach and Actualize Water Conservation,” Utah Water Law and Policy Conference (February 2017 – St. George, Utah)
- “Don’t Be Wet Behind the Ears: Useful Tips About Utah Water Law Every General Practitioner Should Know,” Utah Bar Association Fall Forum (November 2016 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “A Fix for the Future: Rethinking Fixed Term Change Applications,” CLE International – Utah Water Law Conference (October 2016 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “The Legalities of Your Meetings: Know What Is Required! - Utah’s Open and Public Meetings Act” Rural Water Users Association of Utah Fall Conference (August 2016 – Ogden, Utah)
- “Contemporary History: Water Law Concepts and Quirks,” University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Water Law Course, Guest Lecture (February 2016 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “Basics of Utah Water Law,” Utah Women of Water October Luncheon (October 2015 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “General Adjudications: Generally Awesome,” Utah Division of Water Rights Agency Training (January 2014 – Salt Lake City, Utah)
- “A Review of Potential Methods to Streamline the Objection Resolution Process,” CLE International – Utah Water Law Conference (October 2013 – Salt Lake City, Utah)

## Publications

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- [“Water Rights General Adjudications: What’s Going on and Where Are We Now?,”](#) *Utah Bar Journal*, Vol. 32 No. 6 (Nov/Dec 2019)
- “So I got this Weird Summons...Understanding the Utah Lake Jordan River Water Rights General Adjudication,” *Utah Bar Journal* (Sept/Oct 2017)
- “Stepping Up: Corporations Navigating the New Normal of Climate Change,” *The Enterprise: Utah’s Business Journal* (July 2017)
- “Noble Water Pursuits: How the Nobel Prize for Contract Theory Highlights Promising Movements in Utah Water Law,” *S.J. Quinney College of Law - Environmental Dispute Resolution Center Blog* (November 2016)
- “Water: The Trickle Down Effect - Pertinent Considerations for the General Practitioner,” *Utah Bar Journal* (November 2016)

## Interests

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Ms. Lewis is a Wyoming native and is interested in the future of western development and resource use. She is an avid trail runner, skier, and travel aficionado.