

# Robert W. DeBirk

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### PRACTICES

- Administrative Law
- Natural Resources
- Water Quality
- Water Rights and Resources
- Water Rights Litigation

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Utah  
Idaho

Mr. DeBirk's practice focuses on water, natural resources and environmental law. Mr. DeBirk clerked with the Salt Lake City Attorney's Office from 2018 to 2021, assisting the Department of Public Utilities with water law and water quality matters, including the ongoing General Adjudication before the Third District. In addition to water and natural resource issues, Mr. DeBirk assisted Salt Lake City in land use and planning items ranging from updating groundwater source and watershed protective ordinances to creating assistance programs for low-income residents. Mr. DeBirk graduated from the University of Utah's S.J. Quinney College of Law in 2021. Before attending the College of Law, Mr. DeBirk spent a decade acting as a Policy Director for Utah based non-profit organizations focusing on land use planning, watershed health, and air quality, and earned a Master of Arts in the Humanities from the University of Utah.

### Education

- Juris Doctorate, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah (2021)
- Master of Arts, University of Utah (2013)
- Bachelor of Arts with Honors, University of Utah (2007)

### Awards and Honors

- Certificate of Specialized Study, Environmental and Natural Resources Law
- S. J. Quinney College of Law Outstanding Achievement Award
- University of Utah Writing Program, Instructor of the Year
- Utah Humanities Council, Grant Recipient

### Publications

- The Water Report – Utah Water Banking