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- **Industries**

- Industrial & Manufacturing
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- Business & Commercial Litigation
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Overview

Sara Townsend is a litigator in Hopkins & Carley's Intellectual Property Practice. Sara's practice spans copyright, trademark, trade secret, and patent disputes, as well as complex commercial litigation and business torts. Her industry experience includes application software, cleantech, computer networking, consumer goods, gene sequencing, and pharmaceuticals.

Sara manages fact discovery and drafts/responds to motions pertaining to pleadings, discovery, *Daubert*, summary judgement, and pretrial requests. She attends case management conferences and has successfully argued a motion to dismiss. Sara dedicates her pro bono work to issues involving animal welfare, constitutional, criminal, and probate law.

Prior to joining Hopkins & Carley, Sara was a patent litigation associate with Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. In law school, she was Managing Editor of the *Santa Clara High Technology Law Journal* and a member of moot court.

Before she became an attorney, Sara was an environmental policy analyst for government agencies and nongovernmental organizations. She specialized in the management and protection of marine fisheries, sea turtles, marine mammals, and coastal

zone resources.

Bar Admissions

- State Bar of California (2018)

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law
- M.A., University of Miami, Rosenstiel School of Marine & Atmospheric Science
- B.A., University of California, Santa Barbara
- B.S., University of California, Santa Barbara