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PROFILE

Sam Walenz is an associate with Foulston's commercial litigation and healthcare practice groups in the firm's Wichita office. In his law practice, Sam represents clients in commercial disputes before state and federal courts and provides advice on regulatory compliance to a variety of healthcare providers. Before returning to his native Kansas, Sam was an associate attorney with a prominent law firm in Tallahassee, Florida, and a law clerk for the Honorable Robert L. Hinkle of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida, where he gained valuable insight into practice before federal courts.

Before law school, Sam attended the United States Military Academy at West Point and received his commission as an Armor Officer in the United States Army. His service included two combat deployments to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with the 10th Mountain Division, where he led combat patrols and advised senior officers in the Afghan National Security Forces.

Having spent more than 15 years away from home, Sam is happy to be back in Kansas and closer to family. A former Hutchinson Salthawk, Sam was a KSHSAA 6A Boys State Golf Champion and served as the captain of West Point's golf team for two years. Outside the office, Sam enjoys spending his free time with his family and cheering on the Army West Point football team.

Education

- Florida State University College of Law (J.D., summa cum laude, 2018) Order of the Coif; Florida State Law Review, Executive Article Selection Editor; Top Exam Scores: Property I, Civil Procedure I; Taxation I; Criminal Procedure—Police; The Law, the Classics, and the Scriptures
- United States Military Academy at West Point (B.S. in International and Comparative Legal Studies, 2009)

Admissions

- Florida (2018)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida (2018)

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- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2019)
- Kansas (2022)
- U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas (2022)

PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation & Disputes
- Healthcare

INDUSTRIES

• Healthcare

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- Ausley & McMullen, P.A., Associate Attorney, 2019-2021
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida, Law Clerk, Hon. Robert L. Hinkle, 2018-2019
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida, Judicial Intern, Hon. Mark E. Walker, 2017
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Florida, Legal Intern, 2016
- Florida Army National Guard, 2015-2016
- United States Army, 2009-2015

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS, AND HONORS

- Selected by peers for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in the area of Health Care Law, 2025
- Wichita Bar Association
- Kansas Bar Association
- Florida Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- West Point Society of Tallahassee, Member, 2019-2021
- Service2School, Veteran Ambassador, 2016-present

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

2024

Health Law Chapter
-Kansas Bar Association, 2024 Annual Survey of Law

2019

• Conservative Praxis and Women in the Infantry - 45 FLA. ST. U. L. REV. 593 (2019)

2018

Smith v. Obama, a Neoclassical After-Action Review
44 FLA. ST. U. L. REV. 1503 (2018)

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

2024

• Fraud and Abuse - Looking Back, Looking Forward (Foulston Siefkin LLP, Health Law Institute)

2023

- The Supreme Court and You (Foulston Siefkin LLP, Health Law Institute)
- Hey, You Can't Do That! (Or Can You?) (Foulston Siefkin LLP, Health Law Institute)

2022

- Fraud and Abuse: Bad Boys, Bad Boys, Whatcha Gonna Do When They Come for You? (Foulston Siefkin LLP, Health Law Institute)
- Legislation, Litigation, and Other Trends (Foulston Siefkin LLP, Health Law Institute)