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Areas of Focus

Government Controversies
and Public Policy Litigation

Global Hearing Preparation

Congressional
Investigations

Technology



Overview

Companies and individuals turn to Sam Ungar when they need an experienced, steady hand to guide them past high-pressure threats or prepare them for high-stakes government oversight inquiries in the United States and around the world. As Co-Chair of the firm's Global Hearing Preparation Practice, Sam helps clients navigate high-stakes public appearances across the globe.

With his unique background as a litigator and crisis manager, Sam leans on his strategic vision to help clients make their cases legally and, if appropriate, publicly. And while many of his clients are household names or in the public arena, he has the sophisticated judgment to solve problems with the utmost discretion.

Sam built the foundation of his practice as a litigator, representing clients in trial court and on appeals. He forged his practice in the congressional space by representing a key witness during the 2019 impeachment of President Trump. His practice is now global; he has prepared clients to testify before Congress and similar government bodies around the world, including in Europe, Asia, and Oceania. This experience informs Sam's holistic approach: He nimbly coordinates with the stakeholders in any given matter, from the general counsel's office to government affairs and public relations teams and beyond, to help everyone align—and stay aligned—on achieving his client's goals.

Before graduating from law school, Sam was a member of Hillary Clinton's policy team during her 2016 presidential campaign. As a member of Secretary Clinton's debate preparation team, he successfully anticipated and prepared responses to her opponent's attacks.

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- Global Hearing Preparation
- Congressional Investigations
- Technology
- Business Litigation
- AI Task Force
- Tariff Task Force
- Global Crisis Management and Strategic Risk

Representative Matters

- Prepared several members of President Biden's Cabinet, including the former OMB Director and Acting Secretary of Labor, for transcribed interviews with the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations regarding the President's health and mental acuity during his time in office.

Credentials

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 2018
- California, 2017

Education

- Yale Law School, JD, Affiliated Fellow, Yale Institution for Social and Policy Studies, 2017
- Georgetown University, BA, *magna cum laude*, 2012

Court Admissions

- US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 2018
- US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2020
- US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 2021
- US District Court, Northern District of California, 2018
- US District Court, District of Columbia, 2021

Clerkships

- Hon. Patricia A. Millett, US Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, 2020-2021

Service / Recognition

Awards

- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2022, 2024-2025