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Scott Breen joined the NOAA Office of the General Counsel in September 2015 as a member of the first Attorney Honors Program class. As an Honors Attorney, Mr. Breen has rotated in different



sections within the NOAA Office of the General Counsel. His first six months were in the Fisheries and Protected Resources Section, his second six months were in the Enforcement Section, and his third/final rotation is in the International Section. So far in the International Section, Mr. Breen has engaged in work related to international shipping, international trade agreements, the seaward limit of statutes, and ocean noise.

Before joining NOAA, Mr. Breen obtained a J.D., M.P.A., and Social Entrepreneurship Certificate *magna cum laude* from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Before attending graduate school, he graduated *magna cum laude* with his B.A. from Georgetown University. His internships include work in the private sector (Dairy Management Inc.), the non-profit sector (Natural Resources Defense Council), and the government sector (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Department of the Interior).

In his free time and in his personal capacity, Mr. Breen is the creator and co-host of a podcast called SustainabilityDefined, which defines sustainability one concept (and one bad joke) at a time. Episodes can be found on the podcasts app on your iPhone or on Google Play. More information and a direct-to-iTunes link are at www.sustainabilitydefined.com.

**Publications and Presentations** 

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