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Giselle F. Davidian and Kelly A. Hanna Join the Environmental and Energy Law Firm of Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP



Davidian



Hanna

Philadelphia, PA (October 12, 2023) – Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), an environmental, litigation, energy, and land use law firm is pleased to announce that Giselle Davidian and Kelly Hanna have joined the firm.

Giselle joins the regulatory and transactions teams after working as an environmental, energy and natural resource senior associate for a leading Canadian law firm in Toronto for almost a decade. She has counseled clients on a range of environmental matters across sectors, including advising on environmental law aspects of strategic acquisitions, real property transfers and development projects, transactional due diligence, regulatory compliance and environmental litigation. Giselle regularly provides cross-border advice about environmental liability, mergers and acquisitions and environmental, social and governance (ESG) policies, programs and legislation.

Giselle has a unique understanding of the factors that impact environmental law, thanks to her previous experience working as an environmental scientist and engineering consultant. Now, she brings her technical expertise and science-based perspective to her legal practice when she helps clients assess risk, develop pragmatic solutions and build strong legal and technical cases for complex, regulatory matters and environmental litigation.

Giselle is a Certified Specialist in Environmental Law by the Law Society of Ontario. She was recognized by Lexpert Canada as a “Lawyer to Watch” in 2022 (mining and energy law) and also was a recipient of the global Armenian Bar Association’s 2022 “20 under 40 Rising Stars” Award.

Kelly Hanna is a litigation associate with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP. She graduated *magna cum laude* from Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law where she was the recipient of a Rising Advocate Scholarship. She was a summer associate of the firm in 2022.

During law school, Kelly interned for the Honorable Chad F. Kenney where she wrote comprehensive memoranda used in granting or denying motions for summary judgement, compassionate release, and habeas petitions pleaded to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. She served as a lead editor on Drexel Law Review and was selected for publication in Volume XV, Issue 3.

Kelly attended Monmouth University for her undergraduate degree in Marine and Environmental Biology and Policy. She graduated *cum laude* and was a member of both the TriBeta National Biology Honor Society as well as the Alpha Chi Omega Athletic Honor Society. She was team captain of her Division I field hockey team and was a proud member of NFHCA Division I Academic Squad. She also served as an academic research assistant and presented research on climate change, storm surges and water quality amongst factory farms at the Climate Change, Coasts and Communities Symposium. She also spent time as a laboratory researcher and technician. She co-authored a paper that helped create an accurate model to predict bacteria levels in the water at beaches with stormwater outfalls after rainfall events.

MGKF concentrates its practice in environmental, energy, litigation, safety and land use law. We proudly celebrate more than 30 years of representing clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to small, privately held enterprises, both in the Mid-Atlantic region and on a national basis. MGKF is also honored to be the top-rated law firm, since 2011, in the Top Workplaces surveys by the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. Offices

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