



Louis Geltman

Experience

Vice President for Policy and Government Relations, Outdoor Alliance,
Washington, D.C. & White Salmon, WA

Outdoor Alliance unites the voices of the human powered outdoor recreation community to protect public lands and waters and the recreational experiences they support. As VP for Policy and Government Relations, I convene the policy staff of our ten member organizations to identify priorities, forge consensus, and lead advocacy campaigns to protect key landscapes and advance policies that protect conservation values and the recreational experience. Extensive experience working with Congress to pass legislation and working with land management agencies, including the USDA Forest Service, BLM, and other agencies within the Department of Interior.

- Policy Director, May 2017 – September 2023
- Policy Counsel, September 2010 – May 2017

Notable highlights:

- 14+ years of experience working to build consensus and advance the priorities of the human-powered outdoor recreation community.
- Led negotiations on behalf of the recreation community to forge consensus on multiple protective designations that were key to the passage of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act.
- Led and facilitated development of recreation policy provisions reflected in the EXPLORE Act, America's Outdoor Recreation Act, and the Recreation Not Red-Tape Act.

Law Clerk, Columbia Riverkeeper

Hood River, Oregon, September 2009 – April 2010

Law Clerk, United States Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Environmental Enforcement Section

Washington, D.C., May – July 2009





Intern, The Honorable Irma S. Raker, Court of Appeals of Maryland
Annapolis, Maryland, May – August 2008

Education

Lewis and Clark Law School, Portland, Oregon

- Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law, May 2010
- *Environmental Law* Associate Editor, 2009 – 2010; Member 2008 – 2009
- Lewis and Clark Legal Clinic, Spring 2010
- Merit scholarship recipient, Spring 2009; Pro Bono Honors Award, May 2010

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Bachelor of Arts in English, May 2004; Minors in Studio Art and History

St. Albans School, Washington, D.C.

Memberships

Oregon State Bar, 2010 – present (currently inactive)

Writing of note

- “Stoke Is Exactly What Outdoor Conservation Needs,” *Adventure Journal*, May 29, 2018.
- “How Outdoor Recreationists Can Support 30x30,” (with Levi Rose), Outdoor Alliance, January 2021.

Personal

- World class whitewater kayaker
 - Former U.S. Jr. National Team member, Sr. National B Team member in whitewater slalom
 - First place, North Fork Championship II, 2013, one of the world’s most prestigious whitewater races
 - First place, Little White Salmon Race, 2011
- Dedicated mountain biker; enthusiastic backcountry skier and general outdoor adventurer

