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OVERVIEW

Alexis Gutierrez is a government affairs advisor in the firm's Public Policy and Law practice group. Her experience includes developing Congressional strategies for appropriations and authorizations on maritime and fisheries issues, as well as building coalitions and advocacy networks to support the goals of clients.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Alexis worked with the United States Department of Commerce's National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, where she served as Supervisory Congressional Affairs Specialist in the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations. She also served previously as a legislative fellow on the US Senate's Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee.

EDUCATION

- PhD, Geography and Environment, University of Oxford, 2015
- M.A., The Johns Hopkins University, 2004
- B.A., The Johns Hopkins University, 2003

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 24 July 2026, House Passes Historic NDAA Maritime Amendments
- 9 April 2026, The Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Request: A Historic Investment in US Maritime Dominance
- 25 February 2026, White House Releases Plan to "Restore America's Maritime Dominance"
- 9 October 2025, The Essential Guide to the Jones Act
- 1 October 2025, First-Ever Fisheries Subsidies Agreement Enters Into Force at the World Trade Organization

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Swimmer, Y.S., Zollett, E.A., Gutiérrez, A.T (2020), [Bycatch Mitigation of Protected and Threatened Species in Tuna Purse Seine and Longline Fisheries](#). Endangered Species Research. 43:517-542.
- Swimmer, Y.S., Gutiérrez, A.T., Bigelow, K., Barcelo, C., Schroeder, B., Keene, K., Shattenkirk, K., Foster, D. (2017). Sea Turtle Bycatch Mitigation in U.S. Longline Fisheries. Front. Mar. Sci. 4:260. doi: 10.3389/fmars.2017.00260
- Gutiérrez, A. T., and Morgan, S. (2017). Impediments to fisheries sustainability - Coordination between public and private fisheries governance systems. Ocean and Coastal Management 135, 79–92. doi:10.1016/j.ocecoaman.2016.10.016

NEWS & EVENTS

- 15 September 2025, K&L Gates Enhances Long-Established Maritime, Seafood Practices With Addition of Former NOAA Legislative Affairs Leader in Washington, DC

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Public Policy and Law
- Fisheries and Aquaculture

INDUSTRIES

- Critical Minerals
- Energy
- Maritime
- Transportation and Logistics