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Sara Andrews is the Co-Director of New Perimeter, DLA Piper's nonprofit affiliate that provides long-term pro bono legal assistance in under-served regions around the world to support access to justice, social and economic development, sound legal institutions, and women's advancement.

Sara leads New Perimeter's strategy and operations. She develops and manages global pro bono projects engaging lawyers from across DLA Piper's offices and in partnership with civil society organizations, governments, and academic and multilateral institutions. She has led and contributed to projects focusing on legal education, law reform, access to justice, women's rights and economic development in multiple jurisdictions. Her work includes supporting post-conflict law reform in Kosovo, developing capacity-building programs for law students and government lawyers in East Africa, and examining the impact of the pandemic on gender-based violence around the world.

Before joining New Perimeter full-time, Sara practiced in DLA Piper's litigation group. She currently serves on the board of Women Win, an international organization using sport as a strategy to advance women's rights in developing countries.

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Patent Litigation

French

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- French

Admissions

- California
- District of Columbia

Prior Experience

Prior to law school, Sara worked as a legislative assistant to a US Congressman in Washington, DC and spent a year as a volunteer for the Americorps National Civilian Community Corps in San Diego, California.

Education

- J.D., Northwestern University School of Law 2004
- B.A., Amherst College
magna cum laude

INSIGHTS

Publications

“If you want to go far, go together” – How DLA Piper’s New Perimeter has gone the distance

19 April 2022

Sara Andrews and Claire Donse are joined by Lisa Dewey to discuss the impact the organization has had over the years and why access to justice, social and economic development, and women’s advancement continue to be a focus.

- Chapter co-author, "Pro bono post-pandemic - our evolving commitment to serving others," *Accelerating Trends in Law Firms*, Globe Law and Business, Dec 1, 2021
- Co-author, "Responding to rising intimate partner violence amid COVID-19: A rapid review," *New Perimeter & the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security*, February 2021
- Co-author, "Big Law's Bid to Improve Access to Justice Through Pro Bono (Perspective) ," *Bloomberg Law*, August 3, 2017
- Author, "The Role of Law Firms in Increasing Access to Justice Globally," *Namati*, April 20, 2017
- Co-author, "Pro Bono Goes Global," *Stanford Social Innovation Review*, (Winter 2016)
- Co-author, "Expanding the Perimeters of Pro Bono," *The Maryland Bar Journal*, (July 2014)
- *US Domestic Prosecution of the International Sex Tourist: Efforts to Protect Children from Sexual Exploitation*, 94 J. CRIMINAL LAW & CRIMINOLOGY 415 (Winter 2004)

Events

- Presenter, Gender & Justice Research Colloquium, Georgetown University, April 9, 2021
- Presenter, COVID-19 and Violence against Women: From data to effective programs, online event hosted by the World Bank and UN Women, April 1, 2021
- Moderator, Northwestern University Journal of Human Rights: Human Rights and Diplomacy Symposium, April 2021

TEACHING

- Guest Lecturer at the Universidad Panamericana and Instituto Tecnológico Autonomo De Mexico (ITAM), Mexico City, seminar on pro bono practice and the public interest
- Guest Lecturer at Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia, seminar on pro bono
- Guest Lecturer, Suffolk University Law School, seminar on international environmental law

NEWS

New Perimeter, DLA Piper's nonprofit affiliate, to be led by cross-border team

19 January 2022

DLA Piper has appointed Sara Andrews and Claire Donse as co-directors of New Perimeter, the firm's nonprofit affiliate. Founded in 2005, New Perimeter provides long-term pro bono legal assistance in under-served regions around the world in the areas of access to justice, social and economic development, and sound legal institutions, with an overarching focus on women's advancement.

New Perimeter teams with EADB to provide training on contract negotiation to East African government lawyers

11 August 2021

New Perimeter conducted a five-day virtual training on negotiating international agreements for government lawyers from Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

DLA Piper helps build pro bono culture in Colombia

18 December 2020

New Perimeter, DLA Piper's nonprofit affiliate that provides long-term pro bono legal assistance in under-served regions around the world, recently taught an online seminar on pro bono to more than 30 undergraduate law students at the Universidad del Rosario in Bogotá, Colombia.

MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Boston Lawyer Leads International Pro Bono Project, Recent Trip to Zambia," Boston Bar Association, November 2015
- "DLA pro bono group drafts microfinance framework," *Latin Lawyer*, November 6, 2015
- "Rape a naked power play in Mugabe's Zimbabwe: report," *The World Daily Blog*, February 28, 2013