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Sydney Scott represents plaintiffs and defendants in a wide array of complex litigation matters. She also has experience representing clients in FCPA and SEC investigations, and investor-state arbitrations.

Ms. Scott received her B.A. in English from Dartmouth College in 2008, where she won three Ivy League Championships with the Dartmouth women's basketball team and served as a senior co-captain. After graduation, Ms. Scott headed to Copenhagen, Denmark to continue her basketball career as a member of B.K. Amager, which won the league championship during her first season. She then decided to redirect her discipline, drive, and strong desire to win from the basketball court to the courtroom. She obtained her J.D. in 2013 from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she served as an Articles Editor on the University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law.

After graduating from law school, she clerked for the Honorable James J. Brady on the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana in 2013-2014, and the Honorable Chief Judge Carl E. Stewart on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in 2014-2015, before joining the Houston office of Vinson & Elkins, LLP.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Dartmouth College

B.A., English, 2008

University of Pennsylvania Law School

J.D., 2013

Articles Editor, University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law

Law Clerk

to the Hon. James Brady, United States Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, 2013 - 2014

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Associate Attorney

Vinson & Elkins

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ADMISSIONS

State Courts of Texas

Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

Southern District of Texas

ORGANIZATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Houston Bar Association
- Houston Young Lawyers Association

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

One is Not Born, But Becomes a Woman: A Fourteenth Amendment Argument in Support of Having Male to Female Transgender Inmates in Female Facilities, 15 U. PA. J. Const. L. 1259 (2013)