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Karla is a lawyer from Universidad San Francisco de Quito and has a Bachelor's degree in International Relations, a bachelor's degree in Law, and a minor in criminal law.

Author of the articles: "Proposal to Introduce Ecocide as the Fifth International Crime within the Rome Statute" and "Contemporary Debates between Ecocide and Environmental Racism from the Perspectives of Abya Yala and Turtle Island" which were inspired by her work with Racialized communities and environmental exploitation, focusing on the intricate relationship between ecocide and environmental racism in both north and south America touching topics of modern colonialism, climate colonialism, human wastelands, territorial expropriation, indigenous and afro community displacement, and genocide



In professional practice, Karla's areas of expertise include criminal, family, and corporate law.

Professional Experience

- **Associate**, BUSTAMANTE FABARA 2024 / Present
- **Assistant Lawyer**, BUSTAMANTE FABARA 2022 / 2024
- **Head Delegate**, Project Model United Nations ONUSFQ at Universidad San Francisco de Quito 2022 / 2023
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Education

- **Lawyer**, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Quito, Ecuador
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