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Catherine Pruett co-founded Law of the Wild in 2021 after co-founding and directing Sea Shepherd Legal for seven years and successfully building every one of its programs. Throughout much of her environmental legal career, Catherine has been analyzing and helping to enhance national, regional, and international legal and policy frameworks, with a particular focus on the conservation of marine species and habitats. She has directly engaged in training legislators, judges, prosecutors, customs officials, and enforcement officers in the application of law and policy that can help combat wildlife trade. She has assisted in drafting environmental and fisheries legislation and has expertise in establishing and restoring marine and terrestrial protected areas. Catherine obtained her undergraduate degree in Geography with an emphasis in biology from the University of Hawai'i, a law degree from Willamette University College of Law, and a Master of Public Administration in Environmental Science and Policy from Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs. Catherine is a member of the Hawai'i and Washington State bars and has written a multitude of materials in support of nature conservation.