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BIOGRAPHY

Nira Doherty is an experienced city attorney, litigator, and land use expert. Her litigation and transactional practices emphasize general municipal law, land use and development, CEQA, and code enforcement issues. She serves as the Interim City Attorney for the city of South Lake Tahoe, General Counsel for the Tahoe Transportation District, and Assistant City Attorney for the cities of St. Helena and Pacifica.

Nira advises city councils and staff in all areas of municipal law including complex land use, zoning, and development matters, open meeting laws, the Public Records Act, conflicts of interest, CEQA, elections, initiatives, contracts and torts, and conflicts of interest. She also advises municipal clients throughout the state on issues related to cannabis. Nira has spoken extensively on cannabis issues and has successfully represented municipalities in cannabis-related litigation.

Nira has successfully served as lead attorney in litigation involving CEQA, general plan updates, inverse condemnation, contract disputes, health and safety receiverships, code enforcement matters, tort claims, and cannabis lawsuits.

Nira graduated from UC Davis School of Law where she was a member of the UC Davis Law Review and Editor-in-Chief of the UC Davis Environmental Law and Policy Journal. Nira externed for the former Chief Judge Vaughn Walker of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of California and clerked for Judge Steven Bernard of the Colorado Court of Appeals.

BACKGROUND

EDUCATION

J.D., University of California, Davis School of Law, 2007

B.A., Summa Cum Laude, University of California, Berkeley, 2003

PRACTICES

Environmental Land Use and Natural Resources

Public Law

Tort Claims and Products Liability

LOCATIONS

Marin County

ADMISSION

State Bar of California

State Bar of Colorado