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### PRACTICES

Environmental Land Use and  
Natural Resources

Litigation

Public Law

Real Estate and Business Law

### EDUCATION

J.D., University of California,  
Hastings College of the Law,  
1982

B.A., University of California,  
Santa Barbara, 1978

### ADMISSION

State Bar of California

Supreme Court of the United  
States

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Ninth Circuit

United States District Court for  
the Eastern District of California

United States District Court for  
the Northern District of  
California

### AFFILIATIONS

League of California Cities -  
President, City Attorneys  
Department, 2014-15

Thomas Brown is a partner of the firm and the City Attorney for the City of St. Helena. He served for 12 years as the City Attorney for the City of Napa, prior to which he served as Senior Deputy City Attorney for the City of Berkeley.

Tom represents public agency clients. His practice focuses on all aspects of municipal law. He has extensive experience advising clients and litigating in land use, zoning and planning, the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), real property entitlements, police power, charter cities, municipal taxation, Brown Act, Public Records Act, code enforcement, intergovernmental relations, grand juries, elections, initiatives, and referenda.

Tom was a visiting professor at Sonoma State University where he taught "California Land Use Law." He is a past President of the City Attorneys Department of the League of California Cities.

### RESULTS

St. Helena Triumphs in Rent Stabilization Measure

League of California Cities - First  
Vice-President, City Attorneys  
Department, 2013-14

League of California Cities -  
Second Vice-President, City  
Attorneys Department, 2012-13

League of California Cities - City  
Attorneys Department  
Nominating Committee

League of California Cities -  
Chair, Legal Advocacy  
Committee

League of California Cities -  
Member, Legal Advocacy  
Committee

League of California Cities - City  
Attorneys Department Municipal  
Law Handbook Committee,  
2010-2012

League of California Cities - Co-  
Chair, City Attorneys  
Department Medical Marijuana  
Subcommittee, 2011-2017