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Ken is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Yale Law School. He has published many articles on the subjects of land use and local government law in journals including *The University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, *George Washington Law Review*, *Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*, and others. His recent book *Local Citizenship in a Global Age* (Cambridge University Press 2020) chronicles how globalization has caused cities and nation-states to clash over the meaning of citizenship.

## Practice Areas

- Land Use & CEQA
- Land Use - Entitlement
- Land Use - Litigation
- Land Use - Transactional
- Appellate Advocacy

## Education

J.D., Yale Law School (2000)

B.A., University of Michigan (1997)

## **Publications**

*Home Rule and State Preemption of Local Land Use Control*, *The Urban Lawyer* (forthcoming 2020)

*Incorporating Transportation Topics into the Land Use Curriculum*, *Iowa Law Review* (forthcoming 2021)

*Local Citizenship in a Global Age*, (Cambridge University Press 2020)

"Contagion and Partisan Federalism," *Duke Center for Firearms Law* (May 8, 2020)

"Citizenship Federalism and the Ambiguous Promise of Local Citizenship," *Global Governance Programme, Symposium on "Cities v. States: Should Citizenship be Emancipated from Nationality?"*

*The Trespass/Nuisance Divide and the Law of Easements*, 86 *THE GEORGE WASHINGTON LAW REVIEW* 101 (2018)

"Yes in My Backyard." Can a New Pro-Housing Movement Overcome the Power of NIMBYs? 41 *ZONING & PLANNING LAW REPORT* 3 (March 2018)

*The Challenge of Inclusion*, 89 *TEMPLE LAW REVIEW* 487 (2017)

*Preemption, Home Rule and Local Democracy*, 44 *FORDHAM URBAN LAW JOURNAL* 133 (2017)

*Local Home Rule in the Time of Globalization*, 2016 *BYU LAW REVIEW* 177

*Local Government, One Person/One Vote, and the Jewish Question*, 49 *HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES LAW REVIEW* 1 (2014). Selected for presentation at 2012 Harvard/Yale/Stanford Junior Faculty Forum.

*Mobility and Community in Urban Policy*, 46 *THE URBAN LAWYER* 625 (2014)

*Reliance in Land Use Law*, 2013 *BYU LAW REVIEW* 949

*Neighborhood Empowerment and the Future of the City*, 161 *UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW REVIEW* 939 (2013)

*The Suburb as a Legal Concept: The Problem of Organization and the Fate of Municipalities in American Law*, 29 *CARDOZO L. REV.* 1193-1272 (2008).

*The Artifice of Local Growth Politics: At-Large Elections, Ballot-Box Zoning, and Judicial Review*, 94 *MARQUETTE LAW REVIEW* 1- 75 (2010)

## **Speeches & Presentations**

"UPDATE on Builder's Remedy in OC!", *PEOPLE FOR HOUSING - OC YIMBY*, Virtual, April 13, 2023

"Applying the Builders Remedy," *Abundant Housing LA*, January 18, 2023

"Applying the Builder's Remedy in Orange County," *PEOPLE FOR HOUSING - OC YIMBY*, Virtual, December 6, 2022

"Applying the Builders Remedy," *Abundant Housing LA*, January 18, 2023

"Applying the Builder's Remedy in Orange County," presented by *PEOPLE FOR HOUSING - OC YIMBY*, Virtual, December 6, 2022

## **Bar Admissions**

California

Massachusetts (inactive)

New York

Washington, D.C.

## **Court Admissions**

District Court for the District of Columbia

Second Circuit Court of Appeals