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Yalda Vahdani is a transactional attorney in Miller Starr Regalia's Walnut Creek office.

Yalda Vahdani has significant experience drafting, reviewing, and negotiating commercial real estate agreements such as retail, office and industrial leases, subleases, ground leases, amendments, licenses, and purchase and sale agreements for the acquisition and disposition of real property. Yalda also represents residential developers and home builders of master planned communities with land development, entitlement, permitting, environmental concerns, and due diligence reviews. She advises franchisors, both established and startup, in developing franchising programs, assisting franchisees in negotiating franchise agreements, and ongoing legal compliance.

Following law school, Yalda practiced corporate and commercial law in Kuwait for the largest international law firm in the Middle East. There, she advised Fortune 100 companies and large international clients on corporate structuring, agencies, distributorships and franchising, and negotiated and drafted the relevant transaction documents.

After moving back to the Bay Area, Yalda switched her focus to real estate and worked as an associate at several real estate law firms before coming to Miller Starr Regalia, including Starr Finley LLP. She has been named to the Super Lawyers Rising Stars list, and has assisted in updating the CEB publication on Office Leasing for the last several years.

Yalda enjoys spending her free time riding horses, visiting as many museums and galleries as possible, or playing with her Yorkie, Cal.

Practice Areas

- Acquisitions & Dispositions
- Commercial & Residential Development
- Environmental
- General Corporate Transactions, Entity Formations & Joint Ventures
- Land Use - Entitlement
- Leasing

Education

J.D., University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (2007)

B.A., University of California, Berkeley - Art History and Middle Eastern Studies, with honors (2003)

Associations

California Bar Association

Board Member, Contra Costa County Bar Association, Real Estate Section

CREW East Bay

Deer Valley Law and Justice Academy Advisory Board

International Council of Shopping Centers

Iranian American Bar Association

Awards & Recognition

Best Lawyers®– Real Estate Law “Ones To Watch” (2022 - 2025)

Super Lawyers Northern California Rising Star (2018 - 2022)

Bar Admissions

California