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MSR’s Hans Lapping Receives Two Best Lawyers in America© Designations, Named “Lawyer of the Year” – Real Estate Law (Oakland), Nine Other MSR Attorneys Receive Best Lawyers Recognition

Related Lawyers: **Hans Lapping**, **Lance Anderson**, **Arthur F. Coon**, **James “Jim” Frassetto**

Related Practices: **Land Use - Entitlement**, **Land Use - Litigation**, **Land Use - Transactional**, **Land Use & CEQA**, **Leasing** , **Real Estate Finance**, **General Corporate Transactions, Entity Formations & Joint Ventures** , **Environmental**, **Commercial & Residential Development**

Miller Starr Regalia (MSR), a preeminent California real estate law firm for more than 50 years, is pleased to announce that Hans A. Lapping, an AV-rated transactional shareholder, has received two designations in the Best Lawyers in America 2023© edition: he is included in the Real Estate Law list and was selected as the “Lawyer of the Year” in Oakland Real Estate Law.

Additionally, nine other MSR attorneys were selected for inclusion in the 2023 edition of The Best Lawyers in America© -- seven of which have been recognized for at least 10 years. Yalda Vahdani was named 2023 “Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch” in Real Estate Law in San Francisco.

The MSR lawyer receiving recognition are:

- Hans A. Lapping: Real Estate Law and “2023 Lawyer of the Year” designation (recognized 2021 – 2023)
- Yalda Vahdani: Best Lawyers: Ones To Watch, Real Estate Law, San Francisco (2022 – 2023)
- Lance Anderson: Real Estate Law (recognized 2018 – 2023)
- Arthur F. Coon: Land Use and Zoning Law (recognized 2012 – 2023)
- Nadia L. Costa, Land Use and Zoning Law (recognized 2023)
- James M. Frassetto: Real Estate Law (recognized 2008 – 2023)
- Karl E. Geier: Banking and Finance Law (recognized 2009 – 2023)
- Daniel R. Miller: Construction Law (recognized 2013 – 2023)
- Gary E. Rosenberg: Real Estate Law (recognized 2007 – 2023)
- Bryan W. Wenter: Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law (recognized 2020 – 2023)
- Wilson F. Wendt: Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law (recognized 2003 – 2023)
- Eugene H. Miller: Commercial Litigation, Real Estate Law (recognized 2007 – 2023)

“It is an honor to have so many of our attorneys recognized for their leadership and dedication to providing our clients with the highest quality legal services,” said Ella K. Gower, Miller Starr Regalia’s managing shareholder. “Hans Lapping’s designation as the 2023 ‘Lawyer of the Year,’ and recognition as a Best Lawyer in real estate law is extremely well-deserved, and we are thrilled to see Yalda Vahdani on the list ‘Ones To Watch.’”

Lapping represents many institutional clients in leasing, buying, and selling real estate. From acquiring raw land for development projects to assisting some of the world’s largest technology companies with office, industrial and research and development leasing to representing national landlords and tenants in retail, office and industrial leases, his representations regularly include negotiating and drafting real estate related contracts, coordinating due diligence, and closing transactions. Lapping is also a fellow in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers.

Vahdani is a transactional attorney in MSR’s Walnut Creek office, who advises residential developers, home builders of master planned communities and established and startup franchisors. She has experience drafting, reviewing, and negotiating commercial real estate agreements as well as land development, entitlement, permitting, environmental concerns, and due diligence reviews.

Nearly 114,000 industry leading lawyers are eligible to vote (from around the world), with over 15 million evaluations on the legal abilities of other lawyers based on their specific practice areas around the world. For the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*©, 10.8 million votes were analyzed, which resulted in more than 66,000 leading lawyers being included in the new edition. Lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed; therefore, inclusion in Best Lawyers is considered a singular honor. Corporate Counsel magazine has called Best Lawyers “the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice.”

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