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Dana Kennedy is a Shareholder in the Land Use Department at Miller Starr Regalia.

Dana Kennedy advises real estate developers, investors, and other clients on a wide range of land use matters and real estate transactions, including zoning, planning, and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Dana's practice focuses on the processing of entitlements, supervising the preparation and approval of environmental documentation, and negotiating transactional documents associated with land use, project development, and construction, including agreements between private and public entities. She has also counseled clients on an array of real estate transactions, including the acquisition, disposition, and financing of retail, office, and hotel properties.

Prior to joining Miller Starr Regalia, Dana was a Special Counsel at Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP in San Francisco. Prior to that, she was an associate at J. Abrams Law, P.C. and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in San Francisco.

Best Lawyers® has recognized Dana as "One to Watch" for Land Use and Zoning and Real Estate, a distinction she has earned for each of the past three years.

Dana received her J.D., cum laude, from the University of Michigan Law School. While at Michigan, she worked with the Michigan Law School Community and Economic Development Clinic, advising small business and non-profit organizations dedicated to the economic revitalization of Detroit, Michigan in connection with their land use needs. Dana was also a law clerk at the United States Attorney's Office in San Diego, California. She earned her B.A. in political science, cum laude, from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Dana is licensed to practice in California.

Practice Areas

- Acquisitions & Dispositions
- Commercial & Residential Development
- Land Use & CEQA
- Land Use - Entitlement
- Land Use - Transactional

- Real Estate Finance

Education

J.D., cum laude, University of Michigan Law School (2013)

B.A., cum laude, Wake Forest University (2009)

Associations

Bay Area Council

Housing Action Coalition

Awards & Recognition

Best Lawyers® “One to Watch” – Land Use and Zoning Law and Real Estate Law (2022-2025)

Publications

“What We’re Reading, Watching, and Listening to: March 3, 2023.” Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP, by Dana Kennedy, Matthew S. Stone, and Craig Spencer, March 3, 2023

“With Preliminary Approval from the State in Hand, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Adopts an Updated Housing Element.” Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP, by Daniel Gershwin and Dana Kennedy, February 1, 2023

“San Francisco Housing Element Moves Forward as State Deadline Looms,” Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP, by Daniel Gershwin and Dana Kennedy, January 20, 2023

“SB 7 Breathes New Life into CEQA Streamlining Process,” Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP, by Megan A. Jennings and Dana Kennedy, May 26, 2021

Bar Admissions

California