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Practice Areas

Air Quality & Climate Change | Appellate & Writ Practice | CEQA / NEPA |
Endangered Species | Land Use | Real Property & Land Use Litigation |
Regulatory Law & Business Permitting

Hina Gupta draws on her environmental planning background to help clients navigate through regulatory, land use entitlements, and environmental issues.

Public and private sector clients turn to Hina for advise and counsel on a wide variety of land use and environmental matters, including compliance with local planning and zoning laws, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Coastal Act, local municipal and election laws, and brownfield redevelopment. Her experience includes assisting clients with land use entitlements and CEQA compliance for large and small-scale residential projects, office buildings/business parks, self-storage facilities, industrial warehouses, medical and higher education facilities, and redevelopment projects. She also assists clients with renewable energy siting and permitting issues.

Before her career as an attorney, Hina worked as an environmental planning consultant preparing CEQA and NEPA compliance documents on a variety of projects, including large infrastructure and transit projects.

Experience

Land Use and CEQA

- Represented the developer of a mixed-use project for land use entitlements and environmental compliance consisting of 98,000 square feet of retail development, 280,000 square feet of office, and 608 attached residential units on 24 acres.
- Represented a community college district in planning approvals and CEQA compliance for construction of a satellite center in the City of San Diego.
- Conducted pre-acquisition land use due diligence for several developers and financial institutions for construction of infill housing and mixed-use projects in Southern California.

Renewable Energy

- Assisted utility-scale solar PV generation facilities developer with permitting, environmental and CEQA compliance in California.

Professional & Community Service

- American Bar Association
- State Bar of California, Environmental Law Section
- Bar Association of San Francisco
- Power Association of Northern California

Education

- J.D., with honors, The George Washington University Law School, 2014
- M.P.L., University of Southern California, 2007
- B.A., first class with distinction, Urban Planning, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, India, 2005

Honors & Rankings

- Judicial Extern to the Honorable Jay C. Gandhi, U.S. District Court, Central District of California, Summer 2012
- Managing Editor, *Journal of Energy and Environmental Law*, The George Washington University Law School
- Dean's Merit Scholar, Sol Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California, 2005-2007

Legal Alerts

- *U.S. EPA Region 9 Enforcement Priorities Revealed*, April 11, 2018

Blogs

- *Fourth District Upholds San Diego's Addendum for Balboa Park Revitalization Project, Validates the CEQA Addendum Process*, November 4, 2018