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## Experience

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### COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

OCT 2017 – CURRENT

Deputy County Counsel

- Planning and Building
  - Advise department staff, Administrative Office and Board of Supervisors regarding:
    - Land use matters in the Coastal Zone, including Local Coastal Program updates, Coastal Act compliance, Coastal Development Permit applications, and Habitat Conservation Plans.
    - Cannabis and hemp land use matters, including adoption and implementation of land use ordinance amendments, land use permit applications and establishment of County Hearing Officer program for administrative nuisance abatement code enforcement cases.
    - Fee ordinance updates.
  - Defend lawsuits challenging County land use regulations, permitting actions, and CEQA determinations and provide updates to Board of Supervisors in closed session.
  - Assist staff with Public Records Act requests.
  - Advise planning department hearing officer and Planning Commission and provide Brown Act training.
  - Advise staff regarding preparation of public hearing agendas and notices.
- Airports
  - Advise department staff, Administrative Office and Board of Supervisors regarding:
    - Lease negotiations, real property acquisitions, Airport Improvement Projects, Airport Master Plan updates and FAA regulatory compliance.
    - Response to and compliance with Regional Water Quality Control Board PFAS investigation orders, including negotiation and implementation of Voluntary Cleanup and Abatement Agreement.
  - Advise staff on Airport use permits, license agreements and service contracts.
  - Assist staff with Public Records Act requests.
  - Coordinate defense of Airport related personal injury and personal property claims.
- Auditor Controller Treasurer Tax Collector
  - Advise department staff, Administrative Office and Board of Supervisors regarding:
    - Preparation, adoption, implementation, amendment, administration, and enforcement of cannabis business license ordinance.
    - Preparation, voter ratification, implementation, and administration of cannabis business tax.
- Sheriff's Office
  - Advise department staff regarding enforcement of County Code and state law related to cannabis activities.
  - Advise department staff regarding cannabis business license background checks.
- Other Assignments
  - Advise Department of Agriculture regarding industrial hemp laws and regulations.
  - Advise Public Works on public contracting, road matters and capital improvement projects.
- Special Assignments
  - Coordinate prosecution of County's Multi-District Litigation filed against manufacturers of Aqueous Film-Forming Foams containing PFAS.
  - Coordinate prosecution of County's Multi-District Litigation filed against opioid manufacturers, distributors and pharmacies and advise staff regarding implementation of County's opioid settlement funds program.

**CARMEL & NACCASHA LLP, PASO ROBLES, CA****JUN 2013 – SEP 2017**

Associate Attorney

- Areas of practice (50% Transactional and 50% Litigation): real property; land use; landlord/tenant; construction and construction defects; business contracts; employment law; probate and wills and trusts.
- Developed and maintained communications with clients, partners and staff regarding: case assessment and recommendations; near and long-term action plans; legal budgets; status updates; liability and strategy assessments and reassessments.
- Made court appearances at status conferences, law and motion hearings, summary judgment motions and bench trials; took and defended depositions; conducted pre-deposition meetings and site inspections; attended mediations and settlement conferences.
- Drafted legal documents; reviewed due diligence materials; managed contracts, dates and deadlines for various litigation files and business transactions.
- Created and maintained ongoing relationships with current, former and potential clients and local professionals, including accountants, financial advisors, real estate agents, property managers, architects, surveyors, and engineers.
- Remained current on local, county, state, and regulatory matters, including recent developments and planning for upcoming requirements.
- Managed general administrative tasks including billings, expenses, collections, client relations and managing support staff.

**WESIERSKI & ZUREK LLP, LOS ANGELES, CA****JAN 2010 – MAY 2013**

Associate Attorney | Dec 2011 – May 2013

- Worked up litigation files for trial counsel, including: premises liability; governmental liability; employment law; construction law; insurance coverage and bad faith.
- Prepared legal documents, including: demurrers; motions to strike; discovery requests and responses; motions to compel; motions for summary judgment; motions in limine; post-trial motions; appellate briefs.
- Made court appearances at status conferences, law and motion hearings, summary judgment motions, and second chaired jury trials; took and defended depositions; conducted pre-deposition meetings and site inspections; attended mediations and settlement conferences.
- Communicated and negotiated with opposing counsel.

Law Clerk | Jan 2010 – Nov 2011

- Researched and prepared memoranda on various legal topics, including: premises liability; contract interpretation; hazardous material statutes and regulations; workers compensation.
- Prepared drafts of various legal documents, including: motions to strike; discovery requests and responses; motions to compel; motions in limine; post-trial motions.
- Communicated with clients and opposing counsel regarding incident information and discovery.

**Education**

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**JURIS DOCTOR | 2011**

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE | 2008**

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

## **Bar**

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**CALIFORNIA STATE BAR | 2011**

**U.S. FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT | 2013**

## **Volunteer Activities**

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**SAN LUIS OBISPO LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION | 2020-PRESENT**

Board Member and Treasurer (2021)

**PASO ROBLES ROTARY WINEMAKERS' COOKOFF | 2014-PRESENT**

Committee Member and Ticket Chair