



## Laura F. Dumas

*Associate, Real Estate and Litigation Groups*

### Practice Overview

Laura Dumas is an associate in the firm's Real Estate and Litigation Groups. Her practice emphasis is on general business and real estate litigation, advocating for her clients in matters involving such issues as breach of contract, negligence, negligent and intentional misrepresentation, breach of fiduciary duty, and professional malpractice.

### Education

J.D., with Distinction University  
of the Pacific, McGeorge  
School of Law

B.A., Political Science,  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Union College,  
Schenectady, New York

Licensed to practice  
in California

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### Representative Matters

- Obtained dismissal of a million dollar personal injury claim against a regional real estate brokerage firm
- Second-chaired a 12-day binding arbitration involving land use, contract, and business organizational issues; conducted key direct and cross-examinations
- Defense of a large concrete supplier in personal injury actions
- Representation of a real estate developer in a property dispute
- Defense of real estate brokerage firms against non-disclosure, breach of fiduciary duty, and misrepresentation claims

### Speaking Engagements / Professional Activities

Ms. Dumas is an active member of the Santa Clara County Bar Association, serving on both the Barristers Executive Committee and Real Property Executive Committee. She frequently lectures at DeAnza College on avoiding real estate disputes, and regularly presents seminars on risk management to newly licensed real estate agents for a large, regional real estate brokerage. Ms. Dumas also serves as a coach for the Mountain View High School mock trial team.

While in law school Ms. Dumas worked as an adjunct professor, teaching written and oral advocacy skills to students in the appellate advocacy program. She was also the recipient of a number of academic honors for excellence in oral and appellate advocacy, finishing in the top ten oral advocates in the National Moot Court Competition.

### Admissions

Ms. Dumas is admitted to practice law in all California courts, and in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.