



## Douglas L. White

*Associate, Real Estate & Land Use and Green Building & Technology Groups*

### Practice Overview

Doug White is a member of the firm's Real Estate & Land Use and Green Building & Technology Practice Groups. He represents and advises developers, lenders, counties, cities, special districts, elected officials and businesses. He is the first attorney in the Silicon Valley to receive the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED Accredited Professional designation and is a frequent lecturer on, among other things, real estate contracts and building standards.

Doug assists clients with real estate financing, contracts and commercial transactions, leasing, land use entitlements, project approvals, building certifications, condemnation actions, public contracts, environmental reviews, the California Political Reform Act, and regulatory and governmental affairs.

Prior to joining Hoge Fenton, Doug served as Legal Counsel and Vice President of Government Affairs for the California Bankers Association, a member of the Legal Division of California's Fair Political Practices Commission, and as Chief of Staff, Legislative Director and a consultant to various public officials, including State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell and Congressman Dennis Cardoza.

### Articles

- "California Pushes Forward in Finalizing Climate Change Regulations," *Central California Builder Magazine* (August 2008)
- "Entitlements Don't Equal Consideration," *Central California Builder Magazine* (July 2008)
- "Gone Green? The Top Three Legal Issues to Consider When Building Green," *Central California Builder Magazine* (June 2008).
- "Commercial Landlords Need Some Help With Green Leases," *San Jose/Silicon Valley Business Journal* (May 23, 2008)

### Speaking Engagements

- Testimony before the California State Legislature on California building standards and creation and implementation of a state green building code.
- *Green Gone Wild*, CCIM of Northern California, Pleasanton, Calif. (July 8, 2008)
- *What to do about AB 32*, Green Building Task Force for the Building Industry Association of Central California, Modesto, Calif., (January 24, 2008)

### Education

J.D., University of the Pacific,  
McGeorge School of Law  
Specialization in  
Governmental Affairs

B.A., University of California, Davis,  
Political Science

Licensed to practice in California

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- *Real Estate Contracts, Disclosures and Due Diligence*, Comcast Cable Television (April 2008)

### **Awards, Honors, Memberships**

- Environmental Law Movers and Shakers (Lexis-Nexis, June 2008)
- LEED Accredited Professional: first attorney in Silicon Valley and the seventh in California to receive this prestigious designation from the U.S. Green Building Council
- Appointed Member, Green Building Task Force for the California Building Industry Association
- Vice-Chair, Green Building Task Force of the California Building Industry Association of Central California
- Real Estate and Environmental Sections of the California State Bar
- California Building Industry Association (CBIA)
- Home Builders Association of Northern California (HBANC)
- Building Industry Association of Central California (BIACC)
- U.S. Green Building Council
- Build It Green
- Stanislaus County Bar Association
- California Association of Realtors
- San Joaquin Valley Partnership
- Licensed California Real Estate Broker
- California Land Title Association (2007)