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Karen Hallock's practice covers a broad range of business and real estate litigation matters, including contract disputes, real property disputes, land use litigation, commercial landlord-tenant litigation and other complex commercial litigation issues in state and federal court.

• Real Estate

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- Assisted in the defense of one of California's largest supermarket chains against a claim by its landlord for millions in additional rent, resulting in a defense verdict and a million dollar recovery by the supermarket
- Served as lead trial counsel and successfully obtained judgment in favor of client and an award of attorneys' fees against a mortgage brokerage firm in a case involving a violation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act
- Served as second chair of an arbitration, defeating breach of contract claims involving a \$200 million development project, which resulted in a complete judgment in favor of the client and an award of attorneys' fees
- Successfully obtained complete dismissal on demurrer on behalf of a lender in a wrongful foreclosure case
- Successfully obtained complete dismissal on demurrer on behalf of a lender, defeating claims to cancel title to fourteen properties
- Assisted in the defense of six class-action lawsuits against a public utility company's implementation of its billing system
- Served as second chair in a jury trial awarding judgment on behalf of a global real estate services company in the defense of an action arising from tenant-in-common real estate transactions
- Served as lead counsel and successfully obtained summary judgment in favor of an affordable housing developer resulting in full dismissal of the case

Admissions

- California

Recognitions

- *The Legal 500 United States*
2021 - Recommended, Real Estate Land Use / Zoning

Education

- J.D., Southwestern University
magna cum laude
 - Associate Editor; *Southwestern Law Review*
 - Chair, Trial Advocacy Honors Program
 - Schumacher Scholarship
 - Dean's Merit Award
- M.A., American Conservatory Theater

- B.A., University of California, Los Angeles

Memberships

- Japanese American Bar Association
- Asian Pacific American Bar Association
- Commercial Real Estate Women - Los Angeles

INSIGHTS

Events

Previous

In "case" you missed it: A summary of COVID-19 leasing caselaw and how it's changed the legal landscape

13 July 2021
Webinar

- Panelist, "Construction Lender Risk Management Roundtable," Making Tough Deals Work Panel, March 2022

NEWS

MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Evacuating 4,000 Residents And Spooked By PG&E: How CRE Is Doing Business In The Fire Disaster Zone," *Bisnow*, October 30, 2019
- "L.A. stiffens rules for replacing rent-controlled units," *Los Angeles Times*, April 19, 2017