



Hanson Bridgett in Brief

Our diverse client list includes large national and global companies as well as many governmental entities, regional businesses and individuals. While we keep true to our California roots, our work increasingly takes us across state and national borders.

We are socially responsible members of our communities. Our firm is driven by a commitment to diversity, charitable giving, pro-bono legal work and hands-on service. We are a dedicated green business and strive to make sustainable choices for all of our business decisions.

Major Practice Areas

Corporate

We offer a full range of legal advice to public and private clients. This includes commercial law, secured transactions, corporate and securities law, mergers and acquisitions, creditors' rights, employee benefits, environmental law, emerging company issues, venture financing, insurance coverage, intellectual property, international/cross border transactions, nonprofit law, taxation and transportation.

Construction

We boast a national-level construction practice focused on complex infrastructure projects. Our construction attorneys participate in project formation, contracting, financing, execution and claims. Clients include major public owners, "ENR Top 50" designers, developers, contractors, architects, engineers and construction firms. The scope of projects is equally broad, encompassing the areas of water treatment, tunnels, pipelines,

highways, light rail, coastal and marine, health care, geotechnical, environmental, commercial and industrial. Our group has significant experience in alternative project delivery systems.

Employee Benefits

Our group handles all types of qualified retirement plans, employee benefits issues that arise in business transactions, executive and equity compensation issues, fiduciary responsibility and welfare plan issues.

Estate Planning and Administration

We represent individuals, corporate fiduciaries and charities in all areas of estate planning, probate and trust administration. We are experienced in designing innovative estate planning instruments and planning for major or complex transactions involving trusts and estates.

Health Care / Senior Housing & Care

We represent more than 50 hospitals and hospital systems, retirement communities, industry associations, medical staffs, physician groups, skilled nursing facilities, and alternative health care delivery systems. Our expertise covers issues regarding business, contract licensing, antitrust, medical staff credentialing, quality assurance, hospital/patient relations, and Medicare/third-party reimbursement.

Insurance Recovery

The firm represents and advises insurers, agents and brokers, insureds and those affected by insurance. Ours is one of the few practices which has been able to successfully assist all parties in the insurance relationship on a consistent basis.

Intellectual Property

We have a sophisticated intellectual property practice spanning a broad range of business advice, licensing agreements, prosecution and litigation before federal and state courts and other tribunals. Our clients include large corporations, start-ups, individuals and entertainment, multimedia, and Internet businesses.

Labor and Employment

This broad-based practice represents both public and private employers on such diverse matters as employment discrimination, wrongful termination, collective bargaining, benefits, contract administration, and arbitration issues. We also represent clients in state and federal courts, administrative tribunals and union negotiations.

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

Our practice spans virtually all substantive areas of the law, ranging from antitrust, condemnation and general commercial law to construction, real estate, lender liability, professional liability, securities, product liability, will contests, and personal injury. We represent clients at all levels of state and federal courts, before administrative agencies and in arbitration and mediation proceedings.

Government / Public Agency

We serve as general counsel to numerous transportation, water, community service, fire, and hospital districts, as well as cities and joint powers authorities. We are experienced in addressing virtually every legal issue public agency clients may confront. We also undertake individual assignments for environmental, municipal finance, solid waste, rate-setting, and other projects.

Real Estate

We provide experienced and effective counsel in all aspects of real estate acquisition and development. Our primary areas of expertise include entity and tax counseling, project finance, acquisitions, sales; environmental assessment, remediation, land use, entitlements, lease negotiations and dispute resolution.

Sustainable Business

The mission of Hanson Bridgett's sustainable business group is to help companies with sustainable agendas succeed. We seek to foster the growth of the sustainable business movement overall.