



# Mohammad Walizadeh

## Partner

Mohammad practices commercial litigation, with an emphasis on real estate matters. He handles a diverse range of litigation that includes lease and contract actions, debt collection cases, bankruptcy matters, class actions, and probate and trust cases.

Mohammad's litigation experience spans a broad spectrum of industries, including real estate owners, managers and developers, shopping centers, health and senior care providers, and solar technology companies and product manufacturers. Mohammad has litigated the enforcement of leases and business and sales agreements to recover money or regain possession of property, and has experience using provisional remedies to obtain faster results for clients. He has also worked on numerous eviction cases for both commercial and residential premises.

Mohammad commits time each year to providing pro bono legal services. He is active in the Bar Association of San Francisco's Courthouse Landlord/Tenant Project, and has conducted multiple settlement negotiations on behalf of low income tenants defending against evictions.

### Representative Work

Represent community, regional and super regional shopping centers in lease disputes including those relating to non-payment of rent, exclusives, tenant improvements and defaults.

Represent landlords and property owners in national bankruptcy matters.

Represent solar product and technology companies in debt collection cases and enforcement of purchase agreements, as well as product liability and construction defect claims.

Successfully defended a shopping center landlord and property developer in a six-month arbitration pertaining to breach of contract claims, property tax issues and damages in an alleged amount of \$300 million.

### Presentations

"May the Lease Be With You, Though the Enforce May Not: Lessons Learned from Litigating Lease Clauses," ICSC Law Conference in San

### San Francisco

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### Firm Leadership

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Shopping Center Practice Leader  
Diversity & Inclusion Network  
Recruiting Committee

### Practices/Industries

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Litigation & Dispute Resolution  
Real Estate  
Shopping Centers  
Trust & Estate Litigation  
Class Actions  
Business Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation  
Creditor's Rights & Bankruptcy  
Health / Senior Care Real Estate

Antonio (October 2017)

"Terminating Commercial Tenancies," Lorman Seminar on Landlord-Tenant Law (February 2014)

"Commercial Evictions," Lorman Seminar on Landlord-Tenant Law (August 2012)

"Evictions: Dark Side of Property Management," LeadingAge, CA (May 2007)

### **Honors & Awards**

Outstanding Volunteer Award, Justice & Diversity Center of BASF (2013)

Wiley W. Manuel Award for Pro Bono Legal Services (2005, 2011)

### **Professional Affiliations**

BASF Justice and Diversity Center Board of Directors

Leadership Council on Legal Diversity

International Council of Shopping Centers

Bar Association of San Francisco

### **Education**

J.D., University of California, Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law (2004)

B.A., *summa cum laude*, University of California, Los Angeles (2000)

### **Admissions and Courts**

California

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

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U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California