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Areas of Focus

- Government



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Paul is a counsel in Hanson Bridgett's Government Section. He has significant experience in providing advice on and litigating construction claims, public contracting issues, real property transactions, and environmental matters for public entities, contractors, engineering firms, and various business organizations.

He is specialized in:

- Land Use: CEQA Compliance and Litigation
- Engineering and Construction Contract Drafting, Interpretation and Litigation
- Construction Changed Conditions, Delay and Disruption Claims
- Public Contract Bidding, Award and Prevailing Wage Issues
- Mechanics' Liens and Stop Notices
- Land Subsidence and Support Litigation
- Land Transactions and Documentation

Publications

"Supreme Court Depublishes Court of Appeal Opinion Regarding Required Placement of Discussion Concerning the Application of CEQA Exemptions in Agenda Items Providing for Project Approval," co-author, Government + Land Use Law Legal Alert (March 2023)

“Supreme Court Expands Scope of ‘Public Works’ Definition — Contract Employees Performing Operations Work are Covered by Prevailing Wage Laws,” *Government Law Alert* (March 2021)

“California Legislature Passes Bill to Maximize Creation of Public Transportation Infrastructure,” *Land Use Law Legal Alert* (September 2020)

“Court of Appeal Clarifies Rules for Retaining Emails That are Included in CEQA Records,” co-author, *Land Use and Government Law Legal Alert* (August 2020)

“Supreme Court Rules Referendum Process Cannot Be Used to Challenge Water Rates,” co-author, *Water Law Alert* (August 2020)

“Recent Changes to CEQA-Related Procedures from COVID-19,” co-author, *Land Use Law Alert* (April 2020)

Press

“Hanson Bridgett Adds Attorneys,” *Los Angeles Business Journal* (February 2020)

“Claire Collins Leads Five-Attorney Team from Lewis Brisbois to Hanson Bridgett,” *Daily Journal* (February 2020)

“On the Move: Tracking the Ins and Outs of California Lawyers,” *The Recorder* (January 2020)

Education

J.D., University of California, Berkeley School of Law (1984)

B.A., Claremont Men's College (1981)

Admissions and Courts

California

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

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

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

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit