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Areas of Focus

- Real Estate
- Real Estate Finance
- Land Use

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Tara is a legal partner to and collaborator with developers, builders, and property owners to help them build residential, commercial, and mixed-use common interest and commercial real estate developments in California's highly-regulated real estate industry. Tara provides comprehensive legal counsel to clients throughout the lifecycle of a wide array of projects, from large-scale and boutique residential condominiums to mixed-use planned communities, high-rise mixed-use developments, industrial and commercial parks, senior living residences and facilities, affordable housing, and cohousing.

Tara guides clients through the process of securing local and state project approvals. She assists clients form governing associations and maintenance structure for common interest developments, non-common interest developments, neighboring properties with shared uses, shopping centers, and other real property structures by preparing governing documents, preparing agreements for joint use and shared maintenance, and helping to resolve clients' title insurance concerns.

Additionally, Tara offers strategic advice on compliance with key real estate laws, including the Subdivision Map Act, Subdivided Lands Act, Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act, Commercial and Industrial Common Interest Development Act, and the Right to Repair Law (SB 800).

Representative Work

Power Station mixed-use master planned community in San Francisco, California.
Brooklyn Basin mixed-use master planned community in Oakland, California.
Master development in San Ramon, California, consisting of retail, shopping center, and residential uses.
Affordable housing master planned development in San Francisco, California.
Residential attached and detached condominium common interest developments in greater Bay Area and southern California.
Luxury attached condominium, single-family homes, and apartment development in Belvedere, California.
Luxury hotel and custom-lots planned development in Healdsburg, California.
Luxury single-family homes developments in greater Bay Area, Napa, and southern California.

Publications

Prior to joining Hanson Bridgett, Tara co-authored Chapter 28 “Common Interest Developments,” Miller & Starr, California Real Estate, 4th Edition, a well-known treatise on California real estate law.

Prior to joining Hanson Bridgett, Tara rewrote Chapter 6 “Escrows,” Miller & Starr, California Real Estate, 4th Edition.

Presentations

“Mornings with the DREam Team,” Department of Real Estate of the BIA Bay Area (March 2024)

“Diversity Equity and Inclusion: A Changing Workplace & Industry,” The Registry (October 2021)

“Common Interest Development Law 101,” Contra Costa County Bar Association Real Estate Section (September 2017)

Press

“Hanson Bridgett Builds on California Growth with Real Estate Partners in San Diego and San Francisco,” *Global Legal Chronicle* (March 2026)

Professional Affiliations

11th Ring of HiPower, San Francisco
Building Industry Association (BIA), Bay Area, Department of Real Estate Committee Past Chair
California Building Industry Association, Legal Affairs Committee and Department of Real Estate Committee
San Francisco County Bar Association
State Bar of California

Education

J.D., University of Virginia School of Law (1997)

B.A., University of California, Berkeley (1993)

Admissions and Courts

California

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

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

California Court of Appeal