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Trevor Rusin brings a strong background in environmental, criminal and civil litigation. He serves as the city attorney for the City of Lomita and Palos Verdes Estates and the interim city attorney in Malibu and represents a number of other cities in litigation and advisory matters. He also serves as general counsel for the Los Angeles West Vector Control District. Before joining Best Best & Krieger LLP, he was an attorney at Jenkins & Hogin LLP.

Trevor's practice emphasizes all aspects of governmental law, including the Coastal Act, Brown Act, Public Records Act, environmental law, planning and zoning law and code enforcement issues. He has particular experience in advising coastal cities and represents his clients in court, at public meetings and in negotiating complex agreements and transactions.

Earlier in his career, Trevor served as a federal prosecutor for the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California, where he successfully prosecuted a variety of criminal actions relating to, among other things, fraud, environmental crimes, narcotics, armed robbery and terrorist threats. Before that, Trevor was a member of the litigation group at the Los Angeles office of Latham & Watkins, LLP, where his practice focused on white collar crime, land use and complex litigation.

He speaks regularly on issues of interest to local government officials, including land use law, the Brown Act and short-term rentals.

CORE PRACTICES

California Public Records Act

Municipal Law

Public Agency Litigation

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

Cornell Law School, J.D., cum laude

Georgetown University, B.S., foreign service

Bar Admissions

California

Professional & Community Involvement

- League of California Cities Emergency Response Committee, chair

Thought Leadership

Publications

- "Home Sharing in the New Economy," *Western City Magazine*, 2015

Presentations

- "AB 1234 Ethics Training," California Contract Cities Association Annual Municipal Seminar, May 16, 2026
- “Essential Hour: Your First ‘Disastrous’ Hour,” League of California Cities Webinar, Nov. 3, 2023
- “When The Going Gets Tough: Navigating the Brown Act in Tricky Situations,” California Lawyers Association's Open Meetings and Open Records Conference, Apr. 7, 2022
- “The Secret to Effective Short-Term Rental Regulations,” League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo, Oct. 17, 2019
- “Cannabis in the Coastal Zone: Update on New Guidance from Coastal Commission and Effect of New State Laws,” Continuing Legal Education International Annual California Coastal Law Conference, Nov. 16, 2018
- “Brown Act Traps and Escape Routes,” Public Law Section of the California Lawyer’s Association California Public Records and Open Meetings Conference, Apr. 27, 2018