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Kendall H. MacVey

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Kendall MacVey has a great depth and breadth of litigation experience, which includes winning eminent domain, inverse condemnation, fraud, insider trading and antitrust cases before judges and juries in state and federal courts as lead counsel and first-chair trial attorney. As a partner in Best Best & Krieger LLP's Riverside office, Ken handles complex, high-stakes litigation on behalf of public entities. In 2013, the *Daily Journal* named Ken one of the Top 20 Municipal Lawyers in California and recognized him for one of the Top Verdicts, Top 20 Defense Results in California.

Ken represents both private and public clients in court and before the California Public Utilities Commission, where he often appears for evidentiary hearings, oral arguments and full briefings involving ratemaking and other proceedings on behalf of public entities. He prepares amicus briefs on behalf of such organizations as the League of California Cities, the California Special Districts Association and other public entities.

Prior to joining BBK, Ken prosecuted federal civil law enforcement cases of national and industry-wide scope, including antitrust cases in the record and motion picture industries.

Ken makes serving his community a priority:

- Served as the chair of the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Antitrust Section, where he was the first person outside of Los Angeles County to hold this position
- Served as president of the Inland Empire Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, which honored him for his leadership and dedication in 2016
- Served on the Standing Committee for Discipline for the U.S. District Court in the Central District of California
- For over 10 years served on the Merits Selection Panel in recommending to U.S. district court judges candidates for appointment as magistrate judges in the Central District
- Chaired the opening ceremonies committee for the new federal courthouse in the Eastern Division of the Central District in Riverside
- Served on the Central District's Settlement Officer Panel

Ken, in 2023, as a professor of practice, taught at the University of California Riverside's School of Public Policy and has also taught classes on civil litigation and eminent domain at the University of California extension programs and other

CORE PRACTICES

Business Litigation
California Public Utilities Commission
Eminent Domain
Municipal Law
Public Agency Litigation

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

University of California, Los Angeles
School of Law, J.D.
Occidental College, B.A., magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Bar Admissions

California

institutions. Ken spoke before the Appraisal Institute, the International Right-of-Way Association, the League of California Cities, the National Association of Housing Officials, the Antitrust Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, and many other professional organizations throughout the state. He presented before the Appellate Judicial Attorneys Institute of the Judicial Council of California, served as faculty for the annual Continuing Legal Education International Conferences on Eminent Domain and for more than 10 years, moderated the annual Federal Civil Practice Seminar with federal judges of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California's Eastern Division. He testified before the Joint Committees of the State of California Assembly on the history of eminent domain in California. He is admitted to all the federal courts in California, the Ninth Circuit US Court of Appeals, and the Bar of the US Supreme Court.

Accolades

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law, 2023–2026
- *Daily Journal* Top Verdicts, Top 20 Defense Results in California, 2013
- *Daily Journal* Top 20 Municipal Lawyers in California, 2013
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent™ Rated.

Thought Leadership

Publications

- “California Needs to Amend the Cartwright Act to Redress Single-Firm Monopolization,” *Daily Journal*, Sept. 27, 2023
- “California Should Amend The Cartwright Act to Address Single-Firm Monopolization,” California Lawyers Association Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law, Volume 33, Number 1, Spring 2023
- “Pre-Condemnation Entry Statutes Found Unconstitutional,” *BBK Legal Alert*, March 18, 2014
- “Great Films, Spotty Law,” *Daily Journal*, Feb. 28, 2014
- “Property Owners May Not Recover Pre-Condemnation Damages for Decline in Property Values,” *BBK Legal Alert*, Aug. 15, 2013
- “The Subtle Role of Hearsay in Expert Testimony,” California Litigation
- “The Unfair Competition Act,” The California Antitrust Law treatise
- “California’s Proposition 90: The Kelo-Plus Strategy Fails” *Planning and Environmental Law*
- “Responding Strategically to a Government Antitrust Investigation,” chapter in “Working with Government Agencies in Antitrust Law,” Aspatore Books

Presentations

- “Masters of Trial: What Appraisers Don’t Understand About Depositions and Testifying in Court, and What *They* Need to Know,” Continuing Legal Education International California Eminent Domain Annual Conference, Feb. 9, 2024
- “Masters of Trial,” 21st Annual Southern California Eminent Domain Conference, Continuing Legal Education International, Feb. 1, 2019
- “Acquisitions of Public Utilities and Other High-Value Property,” 51st Annual Litigation Seminar, Appraisal Institute, Nov. 1, 2018
- Moderator, Federal Bar Association Inland Empire Chapter's Federal Civil Practice Seminar, April 18, 2018
- “The Trump Administration’s Antitrust Challenge to the Proposed ATT and Warner Merger: A New Era of Trust Busting or a New Era of Hidden Agendas?” University of California, Riverside School of Public Policy Seminar Series, March 15, 2018

- “2017 Federal Civil Practice Seminar,” Federal Bar Association Inland Empire Chapter, April 20, 2017
- Moderator, Federal Bar Association Inland Empire Chapter's Federal Civil Practice Seminar, April 20, 2016
- “Roadway and Transit Rights of Way: Understanding the Legal and Practical Issues,” Lorman Education Services Webinar, Jan. 15, 2015