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Anne Branham is an attorney in Best Best & Krieger LLP's Municipal Law practice group. She assists public clients in transactional and litigation matters concerning municipal government, with a focus in land use and review of public contracts and insurance requirements.

Before joining BB&K, Anne worked for a small boutique firm in Sacramento focusing on water rights and quality issues for public agency clients. She was previously lead counsel to a reclamation district undertaking a multimillion dollar levee and ecosystem restoration project, including overseeing Proposition 218 compliance and acting as a liaison with the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

Anne attended the University of California, Davis School of Law, where she obtained a law degree with a focus on water and environmental law. While in law school, Anne worked for the California Air Resources Board in the field of legal compliance and regulatory development, as well as for former U.S. District Court Judge Oliver Wanger in matters concerning public policy and water rights. She also provided assistance in researching and writing an *amicus curiae* brief on a matter of tribal civil procedure, which was ultimately heard by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Before attending law school, Anne attended California State University, Fresno on a full-ride academic scholarship and received her bachelor's degree in

CORE PRACTICES

Housing, Economic Development and Real Estate Land Use, Planning & Zoning Municipal Law Water political science with a pre-law emphasis. She was born and raised in Hanford, Calif. where her family still farms and raises dairy cattle. Outside of the office, Anne enjoys reading literary fiction, playing piano and guitar, and snowboarding.

Accolades

- University of California, Davis School of Law, Dean's Merit Scholar
- California State University, Fresno, Smittcamp Family Honors Scholar
- Pace National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition, Best Oral Advocate in Round

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

University of California, Davis School of Law, J.D., Dean's Merit Scholar

California State University, Fresno, B.A., political science, magna cum laude

Bar Admissions

California

Nevada

LANGUAGES

English

Professional & Community Involvement

- Sacramento County Bar Association
- California Young Lawyers' Association
- Cal Cities Cannabis Regulatory Committee
- ULI Young Leaders Forum

Thought Leadership

Presentations

- "Social Media and Outreach Best Practices for Conservation Districts," National Conservation District Employees Association Virtual Training Series, March 15, 2024
- "AB 1234 Ethics Training," California Association of Public Cemeteries Annual Conference, March 15, 2024
- "A Discussion with BBK about Emerging Legal Issues," California Association of Resource Conservation Districts Annual Conference, Dec. 13, 2023
- "AB 1234 Ethics Training," Golden State Risk Management Authority Annual Training Conference, Oct. 21, 2022