



OF COUNSEL

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📍 Los Angeles

Christi Hogin serves as city attorney for the cities of Artesia, Lomita, Malibu and Palos Verdes Estates. She also serves as assistant city attorney to West Hollywood and provides a variety of legal services to other city clients. Prior to joining Best Best & Krieger LLP as of counsel, Christi was a principal at Jenkins & Hogin LLP, which she co-founded in 2001. Christi also worked in-house as a city attorney – giving her a perspective that serves her clients well. Christi values her relationships with her clients, some of which span decades.

Christi's practice focuses on land use, environmental, constitutional, coastal and election law. She also has an active litigation practice, representing local governments in cases involving the Brown Act, Public Records Act, California Environmental Quality Act, Coastal Act, election challenges and constitutional law. Christi has been lead counsel in dozens of appellate cases, practicing in both the California Court of Appeal and the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Christi is active in the League of California Cities, and leads the Coastal City Attorneys Caucus. She served as an officer of the City Attorneys' Department and as Department President 2015-2016. Christi edited the Environmental Protection section for the 2010 revisions to the CEB's "Municipal Law Handbook" and served as the chair of the "Municipal Law Handbook" Editorial Committee for the 2011-2014 editions. She also represented the City Attorneys Department on the

CORE PRACTICES

- California Coastal Act
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- California Public Records Act
- Election Law
- Government Policy & Public Integrity
- Land Use, Planning & Zoning
- Municipal Law
- Public Agency Litigation
- Special Districts

League's Environmental Quality Policy Committee. Christi is a past president of the City Attorneys Association of Los Angeles County.

The *Daily Journal* twice named Christi among California's Top 25 Municipal Lawyers and she is regularly recognized as one of Los Angeles' Top Women Lawyers. She was profiled in a special Municipal Law supplement edition of the paper and has been honored as one of the Top Women Lawyers in California. Christi has also been named a Southern California Super Lawyer® by her peers 14 times, including for 2020.

Accolades

- El Matador Grande Award, California Contract Cities Association, 2021
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Land Use and Zoning Law, 2021
- *Southern California Super Lawyers*, State, Local and Municipal, 2004-2006, 2010-2020
- International Municipal Lawyers Association Amicus Service Award, 2019
- Los Angeles Top Women Lawyers, *Daily Journal*, 2017
- California's Top 25 Municipal Lawyers, *Daily Journal*, 2011 and 2012

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

Education

Washington College of Law,
American University, J.D.,
managing editor, American
University Law Review

University of California, Los
Angeles, B.A., political science
and women's studies, Phi Sigma
Alpha

Bar Admissions

California

LANGUAGES

English

Professional & Community Involvement

- League of California Cities, Coastal City Attorneys Caucus
- City Attorneys Association of Los Angeles County

Thought Leadership

Publications

- "Project Approval Processing with Physical Distancing," 16th Annual Advanced Virtual Seminar, Law Seminars International CEQA, Sept. 21, 2020

- "Airbnb Ruling Allows "Breathing Room" for Local Governments," *Daily Journal*, March 19, 2019
- "The Decline of the Community Care Model, The Rise of the Rehab Riviera(s)," League of California Cities Planners Institute, March 2014
- "CEQA 101: Knowing the Environmental Impacts while the Managing the Lawyer Magnet," League of California Cities Planners Institute, March 2008
- "Planning for the Legal Challenge: Success in the Courtroom Begins in the Council Chambers," League of California Cities Planners Institute, March 2008
- "LCP Amendments In Theory & In Practice," California Coastal Law CLE Seminar, Dec. 2, 2007
- "Building Green with Carrots & Sticks," League of California Cities City Attorneys Department, September 2007
- "Can Barbara Streisand Confer Governmental Immunities to the Father of the Bride? and Other Modern Applications of the Doctrine of Governmental Immunities," League of California Cities City Attorneys Department, October 2002

Presentations

- "Dysfunction Junction: Brown Act In-Meeting Challenges," California Lawyers Association Public Law 101 Conference, Nov. 15, 2023
- "An Irregular Meeting of the City Council of Dysfunction Junction: The Do's and Don'ts of Conducting a Public Meeting," League of California Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, Feb. 2, 2023
- "An Irregular Meeting of the City Council of Dysfunction Junction: The Do's and Don'ts of Conducting a Public Meeting," League of California Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, Jan. 19, 2023
- Panelist "Coastal Treasure: Protecting the Shoreline Public Trust," California Lawyers Association Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite, October 16, 2022
- "An Irregular Meeting of the City Council of Dysfunction Junction Planning Commission," League of California Cities Planning Commissioners Academy, Mar. 16, 2022
- "An Irregular Meeting of the City Council of Dysfunction Junction: The Do's and Don'ts of Conducting a Public Meeting," League of California Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, Jan. 20, 2022
- "An Out-of-the-Box Technique for Decision-Making and Resident Involvement," League of California Cities Annual Conference, Sept. 23, 2021
- "City of Dysfunction Junction: How to Conduct an Effective and Respectful Planning Commission Meeting," Planning Commissioners Academy, League of California Cities, March 31, 2021
- "City of Dysfunction Junction: How to Conduct an Effective and Respectful Planning Commission Meeting," New Mayors and Councilmembers Academy, League of California Cities, Jan. 21, 2021
- "We've Burned Before: The Harrowing Tale of Planning in the Wildland-Urban Interface Under the U.S. Constitution," Argent Communications Group, California Land Use & Policy Annual Conference, Nov. 20, 2020
- "How to Improve Public Access and Comply with the Brown Act During a Pandemic," California Lawyers Association, Open Meetings and Open Records Digital Conference, May 11, 2020

- "City of Dysfunction Junction: How to Conduct an Effective and Respectful Planning Commission Meeting," Planning Commissioners Academy, League of California Cities, March 4, 2020
- "Dysfunction Junction," New Mayors & Council Members Academy, League of California Cities Sacramento, Jan. 22, 2020
- "How to Be the Government You Want: The Role of City Boards and Commissions," City of Palm Springs, Boards and Commissions Training, Dec 2, 2019
- "The Shifting Sands of CEQA Standards of Review," 15th Annual Advanced Seminar on CEQA, Law Seminars International, Sept. 13, 2019
- Emcee "Avoiding Total Disaster: The Law & Emergencies," League of California Cities, June 24, 2019
- "Open Meetings Behinds Closed Doors," California Lawyers Association's Open Meetings and Open Records Conference, May 31, 2019
- "Closed Session Training Program (Open Government Behind Closed Doors)," League of California Cities' City Attorneys' Spring Conference, May 9, 2019
- "Mock City Council Closed Session Training," League of California Cities City Attorneys' Conferences, May 6, 2019
- "California is Burning: Land Use Planning in the Face of Wildfire Threats," Argent Communications Group's 5th Annual California Land Use Law & Policy Conference, March 18, 2019
- "Mock Planning Commission Meeting Training," Planning Commissioners Academy, League of California Cities, March 6, 2019
- "Planning in the Coastal Zone," BB&K Webinar, Feb. 21, 2019
- "Dysfunction Junction," New Mayors & Council Members Academy, League of California Cities Sacramento, Jan. 16, 2019 and League of California Cities Irvine, Jan. 30, 2019
- "Recent Court Decisions: Affecting the Coastal Act," Continuing Legal Education International Annual California Coastal Law Conference, Nov. 16, 2018
- Short-Term Rental Task Force Meeting, South Bay Cities Council of Governments, June 20, 2018
- "Fundamentals of Local Government," California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Newly Elected Officials Academy, June 4, 2018
- "City of Dysfunction Junction: How to Conduct an Effective and Respectful Planning Commission Meeting," League of California Cities' Planning Commissioners Academy, April 6, 2018