



KIM THOMPSON

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Real Estate

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Kim Thompson regularly advises clients in commercial real estate transactions. His primary areas of real estate practice include commercial ground leases; acquisition, leasing, development and sale of all types of real estate projects including shopping centers (large-box and shop space), office buildings, residential developments, industrial buildings/projects and freestanding commercial real estate; tax deferred exchanges of real property and investment properties; environmental law and borrower representation in real estate loans. Kim was previously the firm's Managing Partner and head of the firm's Real Estate Department.

Areas of Expertise

- Real Estate Development
- Leasing and Tax-deferred Exchanges
- Ground leasing of Real Estate
- Real Property Purchase and Sale Agreements
- Environmental Law

Representative transactions

Lead Counsel for the following projects:

- South Coast Collection, Costa Mesa, California (Represents owner and project developer on retail project)
- Arbor Lake Forest, Lake Forest, California (Represents Landlord and developer on 12 acre project with Home Depot, Wells Fargo and assorted national and local tenants)
- Twin Peaks Shopping Center, Lake Forest, California (Represents ground lessor on 12 acre retail project)
- Assorted shopping centers, Lake Forest, California (Represents ground lessor on multiple mid-range sized retail projects)
- 17th Street Promenade (formerly Hillgren Square) and numerous properties and centers, Costa Mesa, California (Represents developers)

Related Services

- Environmental
- Real Estate
- COVID-19 Resources

Related Industries

- Environmental and Natural Resources
- Real Estate

Bar & Court Admissions

- State Bar of California

Education

- University of Southern California, Gould School of Law (J.D., 1985)
- Northern Arizona University (B.S., 1982), Finance and Accounting; summa cum laude

- Numerous office buildings in Fashion Island, Newport Beach, California
- Crenshaw Imperial Center, Crenshaw, California (Represents ground lessor)
- Gateway Town Center, Norco, California (Staples, Albertson's)
- HomeBase Center, Norco, California (HomeBase, Texaco, McDonalds)
- Lake Forest Town Center, Lake Forest, California (Staples, Mimi's, PepBoys, Diedrich Coffee)
- Foothill and Wheeler Shopping Center, La Verne, California (Stein-Mart)
- Orange Villa Shopping Center, Orange, California (Staples)
- Hawthorne Gateway Shopping Center, Hawthorne, California (Bed, Bath & Beyond, Staples, Starbucks, McDonalds, Aaron Brothers, Costco)
- Western Plaza, Laguna Niguel, California (Shop space and regional restaurant)
- Creekside Plaza, Santa Ana, California
- Chapman Retail Project, Orange, California (Best Buy, Wendy's and shop space)
- Corona Crossroads, Corona, California (industrial)

Publications/Seminars

- *Hazardous Waste Liability: Drafting Considerations and Investigation Procedures Prior to Execution of Purchase and Sale Agreements and Leases*, Co-Author, Rutan & Tucker Newsletter, Spring 1988 and A Point of View, Spring 1988 (Newsletter published by Hugh M. Saddington & Company, Certified Public Accountants).
- *Property Owners' Primer on the Americans With Disabilities Act*, Orange County Business Journal, July 27, 1992, Vol. 15, No. 30 and Apartment News, Vol. 32, November 1992.

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Awards & Honors

- AV® Preeminent™ rating with LexisNexis/Martindale Hubbell

Community Affiliations

- Member, Board of Directors, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County, a non-profit organization
- Member, Executive Council of the Father's Day Council, American Diabetes Association

Memberships & Associations

- Orange County Bar Association

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