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Overview

Nicholas J. Clair is Senior Counsel in Lozano Smith's Sacramento Office. Mr. Clair focuses on local government and facilities and business issues for public agencies. Mr. Clair advises clients on a variety of transactional matters affecting special districts and local governments, including the Brown Act, California Public Records Act, Proposition 218, elections law, ethics, governance, financing, CEQA, and human resources.

Experience

Prior to joining Lozano Smith, Mr. Clair was a Legislative Analyst for the California Special Districts Association. As a Legislative Analyst, Mr. Clair executed the Amicus Curia Advocacy Program by identifying cases of interest, working with local government stakeholders to coordinate amicus efforts, and participating in the brief writing process. He drafted legal documents including an amicus brief challenging a decision issued by the Commission on State Mandates and a comment letter to the California Attorney General regarding Brown Act meeting notice requirements. He also produced legal opinions, detailed bill analyses, support/opposition letters, and drafted statutory language.

Education

Mr. Clair received his Juris Doctor degree with distinction from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. Mr. Clair also received a certificate of concentration in Business Law. Upon graduation from McGeorge, Mr. Clair became a member of the Roger J. Traynor Honor Society. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in International and Comparative Politics from the University of Akron.

Practices
Municipal
Facilities & Business

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Admissions
California