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## Caitlin Connell

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Caitlin Connell's practice focuses on real estate transactions, with experience in wine law and business transactions. She has an extensive background in real estate and business litigation and her experience prosecuting, defending, and resolving legal disputes has enabled a unique perspective towards protecting and achieving her clients' business goals.

Caitlin specializes in drafting, negotiating, and evaluating contracts related to commercial real estate and the wine industry. She facilitates real estate acquisitions and routinely represents and advises commercial and residential landlords and tenants regarding leasing, assignment and subleasing, property management, default, and unlawful detainer.

Caitlin is proficient in corporate governance including formation, strategic planning, and compliance, and she advises wine industry clients on matters relating to events, promotions, and relations with distributors and other vendors. She also provides ongoing counsel to clients regarding regulatory compliance, including dealings with the Alcohol and Beverage Control Center, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, and the Department of Developmental Services.

Caitlin also assists businesses in employment and discrimination matters, including defense of employee and third-party discrimination claims, employment contract disputes, and staffing agreements.

Caitlin earned her J.D. from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law (2010), where she was Senior Note Editor and Staff Editor of UC Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly and President of UC Hastings Association of Students for Kids. She earned her B.A. in political science and sociology from the University of California, Los Angeles (2006).

### Professional Activities

Caitlin is President of Napa County Women Lawyers and past President of the Young Lawyers Division of the Napa County Bar Association. She is a member of the Women's section of the Contra Costa County Bar Association, and a former Executive Board member of the Alameda County Bar Association Trial Practice section. She is an active volunteer with regional park and open space districts in the Bay Area.

### Education

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