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Christopher Chou provides counsel on a variety of regulatory issues with a focus on land use, environmental, and municipal law. He has experience helping clients with innovative and challenging projects on issues related to land development and infrastructure, including entitlements, permitting, and environmental review. He has worked on these issues on a range of projects including tech campuses, educational institutions, affordable housing, sustainable and resilient developments, mixed-use developments, solar energy facilities, and other infrastructure projects.

Christopher also has extensive experience in telecom issues, including wireless and broadband projects. His experience includes working on matters involving telecommunications facility siting advocacy across the country, environmental review for telecommunications facilities, and pole attachments, and he has represented clients in proceedings before the California Public Utilities Commission.

Chris has a particular interest in transportation issues, including transit-oriented development, transportation impacts analysis and mitigation, smart infrastructure, and regulatory issues arising from new forms of mobility.

Through his work on these matters, Chris has developed significant experience in the following areas: the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act, California's planning and zoning laws, exactions and takings, affordable housing laws, Federal Communications Commission (FCC) siting regulations, and regulations concerning the use of the right of way.

Christopher earned his J.D. at Stanford Law School and earned his Ph.D. in economics at Stanford University. He earned his B.A. at Northwestern University in the Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences program.

### Professional Activities

Christopher is a member of the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area, the San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR), Lambda Legal S.F. Leadership Council, and the San Mateo County Foster Parent Association.

### Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Author, "[Meeting the Challenges of Public Art Programs in Private Development](#)," California Real Property Journal, Vol. 37, Issue 2 (2019)

### Education

J.D., Stanford Law School (2013)

Ph.D., Stanford University (2018)

B.A., Northwestern University (2006)