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Robert Hodil is an experienced land use entitlements and real estate development attorney. He represents commercial and residential developers, hospitals, sports teams, and nonprofit entities in the process of acquiring and obtaining approvals to develop real property, including a local city in its review of a recent development proposal.

Rob has experience with the California Environmental Quality Act, state and local planning and zoning laws and regulations, the California Subdivision Map Act, the California ballot initiative process, and other local, state, and federal laws affecting the development of real property.

Rob earned his J.D. from the University of California College of Law, San Francisco (Hastings), where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the West-Northwest Journal of Environmental Law and Policy. He earned his B.A. from Brown University.

Honors & Awards

Rob is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America®* in the Real Estate Law category.

Professional Activities

Rob is a member of the California State Bar and the Bar Association of San Francisco.

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Author, "[California Supreme Court Upholds UC Berkeley's Long Range Development Plan and People's Park Housing Project Approvals](#)" (June 2024)
- Co-author, "[City of Lafayette, Represented by Coblentz Patch Duffy & Bass, Prevails in Litigation Clarifying Relationship Between Housing Accountability Act and Permit Streamlining Act](#)" (May 2023)
- Panelist, "CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act," Lorman Education Services, Oakland, CA (June 2012)
- Moderator, "CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act," Lorman Education Services, Stockton, CA (February 2012) and San Francisco, CA (March 2012)
- Panelist, "Legally Defensible Environmental Review Under CEQA," Lorman Education Services, San Francisco and Oakland, CA (September 2008)
- Panelist, "Legally Defensible Environmental Review Under CEQA," Lorman Education Services, Stockton, CA (January 2008)
- Author, "Zen and the Art of Zoning – Constitutional Challenges to the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000," California Land Use Law & Policy Reporter (March 2004)
- Co-author, "Natural Resources" chapter of the California Environmental and Natural Resources Law Handbook (Government Institutes, 12th ed. 2004)

Education

- J.D., University of California College of Law, San Francisco (2002)
- B.A., Brown University (1993)