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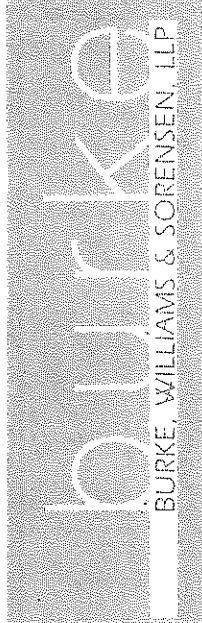
Who we are

Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP is recognized as one of the foremost public agency law firms in California, with a well-established reputation for excellence in all aspects of local governmental law. Our public law practice began in 1938 when founding partner Louis H. Burke was appointed City Attorney of the City of Montebello.

Today our public law clients include cities, counties, redevelopment agencies, joint powers authorities, and special districts throughout California. We regularly act as legal advisors and trusted counselors to public policy-making bodies and as a member of the management team. Our mission is to provide sound legal advice to assure that our clients achieve their goals.

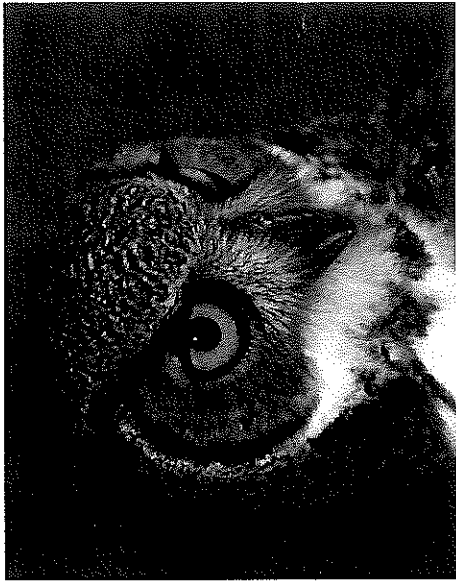
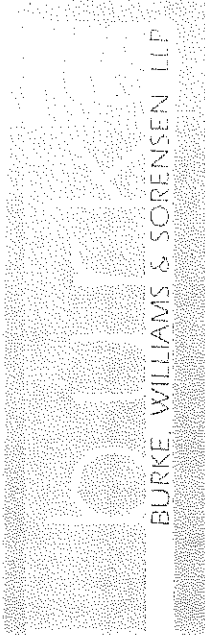
Our attorneys are among the very finest available in any discipline and represent uniquely diverse perspectives. We take a great deal of pride in that merit-based diversity which has led to a firm of varied ideas, cultures and backgrounds. We truly do represent the face of California.

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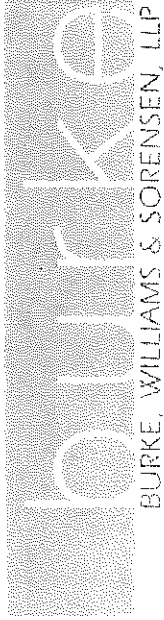
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Our reputation for excellence

For more than seventy years, Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP has been identified as the foremost leader in public law. Our public law attorneys are recognized as outstanding professionals in the practice of public law.

We represent our clients in litigation at all levels of judicial review and have been successful in those efforts before the Supreme Court of California and the United States Supreme Court. We are on the cutting edge of issues affecting local governmental agencies including eminent domain, global warming, inclusionary housing, initiative and referendum matters, and labor and employment concerns. We are thoroughly versed in the planning process including environmental review, general plan development and defense, zoning and permitting, and coastal development issues and regulations.

We regularly participate as mentors through the League of California Cities and other professional organizations to help improve the quality of local government throughout California.

What we do

Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP provides advice and litigation expertise in all areas of public law, including:

Public Entity Administration and Municipal Law

- Open Meetings Laws (Brown Act)
- Public Records Act
- Conflicts of Interest
- Election Law Issues—Initiative, Referendum & Recall
- Public Finance
- Public Works and Contracts
- Cable Franchising
- Litigation and Appellate
- Asset Foreclosure

Land Use and Environmental Law

- Land Use Planning and Zoning
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Development Agreements
- Growth Management
- Historic Preservation
- Mobile Home Issues
- Annexation and Incorporation – LAFCO Proceedings
- Redevelopment and Economic Development
- Endangered Species

Public Sector—Labor & Employment

- Grievances
- Bargaining Unit Negotiations
- Disciplinary Hearings
- Personnel Rules

In all of these areas of law, the firm has expert attorneys well-versed in current legal mandates and regulations available to our public law clients on a moment's notice.



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Practice Areas:

- Public Law
- Education Law
- Environmental Law & Sustainability
- Labor & Employment Law
- Real Estate & Business Law
- Trial & Advocacy

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