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Christian is an associate in the Public Law Department at Richards, Watson & Gershon. Christian advises local governments and other public agencies on a variety of government law issues.

WORK FOR CLIENTS

Christian serves as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Millbrae, where he advises the City on public law matters ranging from the Brown Act and Political Reform Act to complex land use, housing, public works, and environmental/CEQA matters. He also staffs the City of Fairfield Planning Commission and advises Fairfield and other California public agencies on a wide range of development and general municipal law issues.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Prior to joining Richards, Watson & Gershon in 2024, Christian worked as a public law associate focusing on land use & environmental, municipal & public law, civil litigation & dispute resolution, and real estate matters.

Before his time as an associate, Christian was a regulatory specialist on the environmental, health, and safety (EHS) team at Meta via Milestone Technologies, Inc., where he helped to build out Meta's EHS compliance program while monitoring and interpreting laws and regulations to determine their impact on global operations. He also spent several years as a senior regulatory consultant at Enhesa, Inc., advising Fortune 500 multinational clients on the EHS regulatory compliance obligations of their operations and products under U.S. and California law.

PRACTICE AREAS

Municipal & Public Agency Law

EDUCATION

J.D., *cum laude*, Vermont Law School

M.Sc., *merit honors*, London School of Economics and Political Science

B.A., *cum laude*, Middlebury College

During law school, Christian interned with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Solicitor's Office and the Vermont Attorney General's Office, Civil Rights Unit. He was a student clinician at Vermont Law School's Environmental & Natural Resources Law Clinic.

HONORS & AWARDS

Senior Managing Editor, Vermont Law Review

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Attorney, Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers

NEWS

Legislative Conditions on Land-Use Permits Are Subject to the Fifth Amendment's Takings Clause
04.18.2024

PUBLICATIONS

Multistate Employer Liability & Employee Welfare in the Absence of a Federal COVID-19 Health & Safety Rule
Vermont Law Review Blog, 2021

Regulatory Roulette: Desalination and the Future of Drinking Water in California
American Bar Association - Marine Resources Committee, 2015

Conflict in the Air? Federalism, The Clean Air Act, and Arkansas's Act 1302
Columbia Journal of Environmental Law, 2013

Are Urban Authorities Using the Right Set of Land Use Law and Policy Tools in Adapting to Climate Change?
Vermont Law Review, 2012