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French | Arabic | English



About Maya

Maya Mouawad is a transactional attorney based in our Los Angeles office, specializing in complex real estate, construction, finance and natural resources matters. She has extensive experience representing US, Asian and European investors, developers, contractors and lenders in the acquisition, financing, development, leasing and disposition of commercial and industrial real property in the US. Maya's clients value her thoroughness in understanding their needs, and appreciate her personable, practical and solution-oriented approach to resolving complex matters.

Maya also regularly handles the real estate components of corporate acquisitions. Her practice encompasses the acquisition, disposition, leasing and development of retail, industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, office, hotels, and multi-family complexes, car dealerships, healthcare, mining of minerals, environmental issues, property management agreements, brokerage agreements, real estate-backed loan agreements, contractor licensing, liquor licensing and transfer and design, engineering and construction contracts.

While real estate and finance are Maya's primary focus, she is also experienced in the area of water rights. She represents landowners across various industries including agricultural, farming, industrial and other water-dependent business operations in matters related to the acquisition, transfer and adjudication of water rights. Maya is also an adjunct professor at Loyola Law School, where she teaches California water law.

Prior to her law career, Maya spent over a decade as a real estate consultant to private equity investors and developers of master-planned communities in Southern California, aiding them in their decision-making process by providing economic market analysis, feasibility studies and specific investment property analysis. Leaning on this experience, Maya is able to provide clients with a well-rounded view of the issues and creative legal solutions.

Credentials

Education

- Loyola Law School of Los Angeles, J.D., 2016
- California State University, Fullerton, M.B.A., 1997

• Notre Dame University, B.S., 1994

Admissions

California, 2016

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member, Association of Women in Water, Energy & Environment
- Member, Women in Leadership, Coro Southern California (since 2021)
- Alumni, Class of 2019 Water Leader, Water Education Foundation

Recognitions

• Recognized in *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America* for Environmental Law (2024–2026) and Real Estate Law (2026)

Expertise

Services

• Real Estate

Publications And Speaking Engagements

- Presenter, "Water Law 101," Los Angeles County Bar Association, March 20, 2023, and May 25, 2023.
- Co-author, "Water Rights Law for Real Property Owners," LexisNexis Practical Guidance Note, 2022.
- Co-author, "Fire and Water: An Emerging Nexus in California," Water Education Foundation, 2019.

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