

A portrait of Maria Fatima Gioletti, a woman with long dark hair, smiling and wearing a green textured blazer. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and lights.

Maria Fatima Gioletti Of Counsel

Fatima Gioletti joins White Brenner as Of Counsel, bringing over twenty years of experience handling business and agricultural litigation and transactional matters for clients in the Central San Joaquin Valley from the Sacramento Delta to Fresno.

Fatima comes from a strong farming background, having been born and raised on her family's dairy farm in Hilmar, California, and being married to a fourth-generation dairy farmer in Turlock. Fatima and her husband have an active household raising three busy children and being steeped in their country community. In addition to dairying, Fatima's family farms forage almond crops in the Central Valley, as well as peaches.

Fatima has represented clients in various aspects of the agricultural industry, handling transactional and litigation matters involving landlord/tenant relationships, employment issues, animal feed contamination, feed and mineral transportation, pesticide drift, almond and other crop disputes, feed and cattle supply liens, farm equipment and real property purchase agreements, insurance coverage,

eminent domain, public agency, and other areas. Fatima also handles general business and civil litigation and transactional matters and has been involved in several complex litigation matters in federal, state, and out-of-state courts, including several matters before the California Courts of Appeal and having briefed public agency issues before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Fatima earned her juris doctorate degree from Santa Clara University School of Law and while there, received the Richard R. Rosenberg Prize for Excellence in Labor Law and a Cal Jur Award for Employment Law. Prior to that, Fatima graduated summa cum laude from California State University, Stanislaus and was named the 1998 Department of Criminal Justice Outstanding Student of the Year.

Being the daughter of Azorean immigrants, Fatima is fluent in Portuguese and regularly participates in cultural and religious events. Fatima and her husband serve on various local and industry boards and stewardship committees, including having chaired weekend-long parish festival events that generate the



annual operating income for their parish. Fatima also volunteers teaching weekly religious education classes and is a founding director of a non-profit called Spirit of Father Mata, an organization that continues her family's commitment to supporting ministries that serve children and elderly people in need.

When Fatima is not at her desk, transporting kids, cooking or working in her yard, she can be seen jogging on irrigation district canal banks with her beloved Cane Corso.

If not a lawyer... If I was being practical, I would probably be teaching somewhere—and probably at a parochial school. While we love the small rural schools that we and our kids have attended, I have taught catechism for so long, that it just makes sense. If I was working for the fun of it however, I would be arranging gift baskets and displays at my friend's Farm House gift shop in Turlock.



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