



Joshua Varinsky Attorney

Joshua Varinsky's traversing of cities, both domestic and abroad, landed him in the fields of land use and municipal law. At White Brenner LLP, Josh focuses on land use and planning matters for the firm's municipal clients. His background in urban planning and public policy helps him tackle regulatory issues affecting all tiers of government. Josh's areas of practice include planning and zoning law, the Subdivision Map Act, CEQA, housing, development agreements, public finance, and Local Agency Formation Commissions.

During law school at the University of California, Davis, Josh held internships with the Oakland City Attorney's Office and the California Attorney General's Office. Josh also spent a semester in Washington, D.C., externing in the Rulemaking Division of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. For his Master of Urban Planning at the University of Southern California, Josh concentrated in economic development and real estate finance, interning with affordable housing and economic development firms.

Josh graduated from Tulane University with majors in Political Science and Spanish. After college, Josh worked in Texas, Costa Rica, and the Dominican Republic. Eventually, Josh made his way to Sacramento, not far from his upbringing in Oakland, where his interest in urban policy naturally sprouted.

If not a lawyer... I would be in education and coach little league baseball. Education comes in many forms, and any student leader is in a position to unlock potential. I would love to help students find their passions and navigate complex environments... so long as the baseball diamond is not too far away.

Projects

- Local agency CEQA compliance
- Assists city clients in the preparation and evaluation of general and specific plan updates and adoptions
- Drafts ordinances and resolutions for development impact fee updates and adoptions
- Advises local agencies through reorganization and annexation proposals



Credentials

- J.D., U.C. Davis School of Law
- M.A., Urban Planning, University of Southern California
- B.A., Political Science & Spanish, Tulane University
- Member, California State Bar
- Witkin Award, Local & State Government



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