

About Allen Matkins

Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP, founded in 1977, is a California-based law firm with approximately 230 attorneys practicing out of seven offices in Century City, Del Mar Heights, Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego, San Francisco, and Walnut Creek.

The firm's broad areas of practice include:

- business litigation
- real estate
- land use
- construction
- environmental
- real estate finance
- corporate and securities
- employment and labor
- intellectual property
- bankruptcy and creditors' rights
- tax

For more than 30 years, Allen Matkins has helped clients turn opportunity and challenge into success by providing practical advice, innovative solutions and valuable business opportunities.

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Kristine Floyd is a Partner in the firm's Orange County office where her practice focuses on commercial business litigation with areas as diverse as real estate, aviation, trade secret/unfair competition and employment law. Her clients are varied and include land developers and purchasers, lender and institutional investors, health care organizations, international airframe and component part manufacturers.

Kristine was named as one of the top 100 Women Litigators for 2009 by the *Daily Journal*. Her litigation experience includes handling cases at the trial and appellate court levels of both state and federal courts, including the California Supreme Court. She also regularly consults with clients for litigation avoidance and represents parties in mediations and arbitrations.

Focus

Litigation

Education

J.D., with high honors,
Duke University School
of Law

B.A., *magna cum
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Kristine is particularly well known by her clients for her ability to provide both a practical and creative approach to tackling business problems and solving them cost effectively.

Kristine is a member of the firm's Diversity Committee and Chair of its Community Outreach Subcommittee. She is also a founding member of the Women's Leadership Roundtable in Orange County.



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Nick Shantar is a member of firm's Orange County Litigation Group. His current practice is dedicated solely to real estate matters, including purchase and sale disputes, landlord/tenant issues, and construction defects. He also has experience in inverse condemnation and administrative mandamus litigation.

Nick has represented numerous high-profile clients, from land developers, financial institutions and health care organizations, to international semiconductor companies and technology startups. Nick is highly regarded by both his clients and colleagues for his ability to quickly connect with his clients and understand the complexities of their businesses.

Nick is a member of the State Bar of California and is admitted to practice in all California state courts, as well as the Central District of California and the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Focus

Litigation

Education

J.D., *magna cum
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Litigation Practice

Allen Matkins' litigation practice is comprehensive and includes approximately 80 attorneys. Our expertise ranges from all aspects of business and commercial, real estate, construction, bankruptcy, environmental and toxic tort, products liability and labor and employment litigation. We have the capacity and experience necessary to litigate disputes no matter the scope or level of intensity.

A factor that sets us apart from many business firms is that we have lawyers who actually go to court. Our attorneys have a significant amount of trial hours for the number of group members as compared with most other firms. Our trial lawyers have successfully tried hundreds of cases in a broad variety of forums including state and federal courts, arbitrations and judicial referees. Our litigators are experts in all areas of dispute resolution (including mediation, arbitration, trial and appeal) and are adept at working with our clients to reach a satisfactory resolution of their dispute, regardless of its complexity.

Our aim is to provide all clients with timely and cost-effective problem-solving assistance, whether that means pursuing an alternative dispute resolution or aggressively trying the case. We understand the need to achieve swift and efficient results.

Bankruptcy, Receiverships and Creditors' Rights

- Restructuring
- Fraudulent Conveyance
- Unjust enrichment and disgorgement

Business and Commercial

- Business Torts
- Corporation, Partnership and Joint Venture Disputes
- Trade Secret and Unfair Competition
- Intellectual Property
- Banking and Financial Services
- Consumer
- Class Action
- Securities
- Tax
- Professional Negligence

Construction

Environmental and Toxic Tort

Energy and Natural Resources

Labor & Employment Litigation

- Employment Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Wrongful Termination
- Exempt/Non-exempt Class Actions
- Prevailing Wage

Land Use

Products Liability

Real Estate

- Contract and Partnership Disputes
- Landlord/Tenant
- Condemnation/Eminent Domain
- Water Rights and Resources