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Practice Areas

- Tax
- Aviation
- Debt Finance
- IP Transactions
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Public Offerings & Private Placements
- Real Estate
- Securities Law & Corporate Governance

Education

- Stanford Law School (J.D., 1986), with distinction
- University of California, San Diego (B.A., Economics, 1981), *magna cum laude*

News

- Irell & Manella Completes \$4 Billion in Corporate Transactions in 2009



Kyle S. Kawakami

Kyle S. Kawakami is a partner in the Newport Beach office of Irell & Manella LLP.

Mr. Kawakami's practice with Irell & Manella is a diverse business practice that includes general corporate, venture capital, real estate and taxation matters. Mr. Kawakami has represented clients in a variety of business

and corporate matters, including the formation and maintenance of corporations, limited liability companies and partnerships, mergers and acquisitions, private placements, venture capital financings, and other general commercial transactions. Mr. Kawakami has extensive experience in a wide range of corporate transactions, including stock and asset acquisitions and divestitures, purchases and sales of interests in limited liability companies and partnerships, mergers of public and privately held companies, secured and unsecured financings, joint venture transactions and venture capital transactions.

Mr. Kawakami currently serves as general commercial counsel to a group of companies (including a number of Fortune 500 companies) that has constructed a groundwater treatment facility at a San Fernando Valley Superfund site. Mr. Kawakami is responsible for all general business matters for that group, including the maintenance of the group's business entity, negotiating and drafting contracts for the group, leading negotiations with governmental agencies with respect to on-going matters relating to the water treatment facility and tax planning for the group.

Mr. Kawakami has also represented clients in a variety of sophisticated real estate matters, including the purchase and sale of real property, the formation of real estate development partnerships and limited liability companies, and the preparation of construction contracts, architect agreements, and real estate leases. Mr. Kawakami currently represents a French based multi-national real estate development company in connection with the sale of its limited liability company and partnership

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interests in all of its United States real estate developments.

Mr. Kawakami was named to the Southern California "Super Lawyers" list by the *Los Angeles Magazine* in 2006.

In 1986 and 1987, Mr. Kawakami served as a law clerk for the Honorable Richard A. Gadbois, Jr., United States District Court for the Central District of California.

Bar & Court Admissions

- 1986, California
- U.S. Tax Court