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Louise Dyble is an attorney in the Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Law Practice Group in the firm's San Francisco office.

Areas of Practice

Louise helps clients navigate all areas of environmental law. With an in-depth knowledge of federal and state regulations, her practice focuses on assisting clients with a wide variety of environmental regulatory and litigation matters.

Louise advises clients on regulatory compliance and defense, including matters involving the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund), the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the Toxic Substances Control Act. Louise has represented clients facing remediation and natural resource damages claims in state and federal court. She has advised clients on liability and risk associated with real property transactions, including redevelopment and brownfields projects. Louise also helps prepare clients for regulatory change and its implications, including new reporting requirements and water quality standards for emerging contaminants such as 1,4-Dioxane, and per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), including PFOA and PFOS.

Louise's practice also includes permitting and environmental diligence for transactions involving large-scale solar and wind projects in California and the Midwest. She has advised clients on compliance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the California Environmental Quality Act, and Proposition 65. She has represented water and energy companies in ratemaking and adjudicatory proceedings before the California Public Utilities Commission. She has advised private companies and public agencies on compliance with water quality regulations, and in resolving disputes involving water infrastructure administration and financing.

Prior to law school, Louise earned a PhD in history from UC Berkeley. She has conducted research and taught classes on urban politics and environmental policy at UC Berkeley, Caltech, USC, and Michigan Technological University. She has published academic articles and books on the history of infrastructure, land use and local food, and regional government.

Louise's pro bono practice includes legal and advocacy work related to affordable housing, transportation policy, and climate and greenhouse gas regulation.

Articles

- The Future of SEPs in Citizen Suits,
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- Federal PFAS Regulation and the States
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- Aquifers and Democracy: Enforcing Voter Equal Protection to Save California's Imperiled Groundwater and Redeem Local Government
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- Reconstructing Transportation: Linking Tolls and Transit for Place-Based Mobility
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- The Defeat of the Golden Gate Authority: Regional Planning and Local Power
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- Revolt Against Sprawl: Transportation and the Origins of the Marin County Growth Control Regime
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Real Estate, Land Use & Environmental Law Blog Posts

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- "Organics Advocates Dig In With Ninth Circuit Appeal Challenging Certification for Hydroponics," June 15,
2021

Cannabis Law Blog Posts

- "California Breaks New Ground With OCal: Answers to Key Questions About "Comparable-to-Organic"
Cannabis," August 9, 2021

Books

Paying the Toll: Local Power, Regional Politics, and the Golden Gate Bridge, *University of Pennsylvania Press*
2013

California Cuisine and Just Food, *MIT Press*
2012

Practices

Environmental

Real Estate and Land Use

Land Use Litigation

Wetlands and Endangered Species

CEQA Documentation and Defense

Appellate

Environmental Litigation

Litigation

Industries

Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance

Food and Beverage

Education

J.D., University of California, Berkeley, 2016, Environmental Law Certificate

PH.D., History, University of California, Berkeley, 2003

B.A., University of California, Berkeley, 1995, *magna cum laude*

Admissions

California

Illinois