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Karin Dougan Vogel is senior counsel in the Business Trial Practice Group in the firm's San Diego office and a Certified Specialist in Appellate Law.

Areas of Practice

Karin has extensive experience in appeals and writs on matters involving a broad range of complex business litigation, including business related torts and contract actions, land use disputes, partnership disputes, labor law matters, bankruptcy matters, financial institutions related actions, environmental issues, arbitration issues, class action issues, federal statutory and constitutional issues, and other complex commercial disputes. Karin practices both in state and federal appellate courts, in all aspects of the appellate process.

Honors

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers, 2023

Best Lawyers in America, 2009-2024

San Diego Super Lawyer, 2007-2023

Top 50 San Diego Super Lawyer, 2010, 2011, 2019

Lawyers Club of San Diego Community Service Award, 2006

San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program's Distinguished Service Award for contributing more than 150 hours of legal services to the indigent community, 2002-2003

Finalist, San Diego Chargers Community Quarterback Award in recognition for her volunteer services, 2004 State Bar of California Wiley W. Manuel Award, 2002-2005

Experience

Reported Appellate Decisions

- Doyle v. Fireman's Fund Ins. Co. (2018) 21 Cal.App.5th 33
- Gerard v. Orange Coast Medical Center (2017) 9 Cal. App. 5th 1204
- Ammerman v. Callender (2016) 245 Cal.App.4th 1058
- Lexin v. City of San Diego (2013) 222 Cal.App.4th 662

- Choate v. Celite Corporation (2013) 215 Cal.App.4th 1460
- Ragland v. U.S. Bank N.A. (2012) 209 Cal. App. 4th 147
- Bell v. H.F. Cox, Inc. (2012) 209 Cal.App.4th 62
- M&F Fishing, Inc. v. Sea-Pac Insurance Managers, Inc. (2012) 202 Cal.App.4th 1509
- Harris v. Superior Court (Liberty Mutual Insurance Company) (2011) 53 Cal.4th 170
- Boschma v. Home Loan Center, Inc. (2011) 198 Cal. App. 4th 230
- Citizens for Responsible Equitable Environmental Dev. v. City of San Diego (2011) 196 Cal. App. 4th 515
- Stockton Citizens for Sensible Planning v. City of Stockton (2010) 48 Cal.4th 481
- Puentes v. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. (2008) 160 Cal.App.4th 638
- Ambriz v. Kelegian (2007) 146 Cal. App. 4th 1519
- Blum v. Superior Court (Copley Press, Inc.) (2006) 141 Cal.App.4th 418
- NetBank, FSB v. Kipperman (In re Commercial Money Center, Inc.) (9th Cir. BAP Aug. 25, 2006) 350 B.R. 465
- Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust v. City Council of City of San Marcos (2005) 132 Cal.App.4th 614
- Fitz v. NCR Corporation (2004) 118 Cal.App.4th 702
- D-Beam Ltd. Partnership v. Roller Derby Skates, Inc. (9th Cir. 2004) 366 F.3d 972
- Buckhorn v. St. Jude Heritage Medical Group (2004) 121 Cal.App.4th 1401
- Sneed v. Saenz (2004) 120 Cal.App.4th 1220
- Padres L.P. v. Henderson (2003) 114 Cal. App. 4th 495
- Vallely Investments, L.P. v. BancAmerica Commercial Corporation (2001) 88 Cal.App.4th 816
- Cooper v. Westbrook Torrey Hills (2000) 81 Cal.App.4th 1294
- Goehring v. Superior Court (Bernier) (1998) 62 Cal.App.4th 894
- Naftzger v. American Numismatic Society (1996) 42 Cal.App.4th 421
- Parker v. Bain (9th Cir. 1995) 68 F.3d 1131
- Dilley v. Gunn (9th Cir. 1995) 64 F.3d 1365

Articles

- Should You Appeal? Top 10 Things to Consider The Recorder, 09.05.2017
- Puttin' On The Writs: 10 Tips For Petitioning For Calif. Appeal Law360, 09.30.2016
- Seeking (or resisting) Supreme Court Review?
 Daily Journal, 03.03.2016
- 10 Things Appellate Specialists Should Tell Trial Counsel Corporate Counsel, 06.12.2015
- The Fed/State Difference California Lawyer, 11.2014

- Common Pitfalls of Appellate Practice Daily Journal, 02.27.2014
- Your Skills: Top 10 Tips to Prepare for Oral Argument The Recorder, 08.02.2013
- Keeping Your Options Open California Lawyer, 06.2000
- Preserving The Record For Appeal: Top Ten Mistakes 01.10.2000
- When Can Guarantors Waive Antideficiency Protection? CEB Real Property Reporter, 01.1993

Media Mentions

Snapchat Keeps Calif. Alice Win At Fed. Circ. In Patent Row *Law360*, 04.12.2023

Litigator of the Week Runners-Up and Shout Outs *The American Lawyer*, 08.13.2021

Sheppard Mullin Team Argues U.S. Supreme Court Trademark Case for Hana Bank 12.03.2014

Speaking Engagements

Co-Panelist, MCLE presentation on Standards of Review, presented to the San Diego Bar

Speaker, MCLE course on Basic Appellate Practice, presented to the Eighth Annual Pacific Union Adventist Attorneys Conference

Co-Panelist, MCLE presentation in-house on Preserving the Record for Appeal: Top Ten Mistakes

Memberships

Member, American Bar Association

Member, California Academy of Appellate Lawyers

Member, Litigation Section, California Bar Association

Master, San Diego Appellate Inn of Court

Member, Litigation Section, San Diego County Bar Association

Member, Appellate Courts Committee, San Diego County Bar Association

Member, Lawyers Club of San Diego

Member, Board of Directors, The Monarch School

Team Coach for The Bishop's School, San Diego County High School Mock Trial Competition, 2008 - present

Christ Church Day School, School Board President, 2007 - 2010

Co-Chair, Women's Resource Fair Task Force, 2001 to 2004, and also from 2005 to 2006

Founding Co-editor, San Diego Association of Business Trial Lawyers Report

Practices

Litigation

Appellate

Appellate

Bankruptcy Litigation

Education

J.D., Georgetown University, 1986, cum laude

B.A., Union College, 1981, highest honors

Clerkships

Law Clerk for Justice William A. Holohan, Arizona Supreme Court, from 1986 to 1987

Admissions

California (all appellate and trial courts)

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Central and Southern Districts of California
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan