

## Perry Woodward

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- **Industries**

- Banking & Financial Services
- Industrial & Manufacturing
- Retail
- Technology

- **Services**

- Construction Law
- Litigation
- Real Estate
- Business & Commercial Litigation

## Overview

Perry Woodward is a member of Hopkins & Carley's Real Estate Practice in the San Jose office. He has represented clients in real estate, business and technology litigation.

Perry's experience includes cases involving:

- Land use
- Real estate transactions
- Fraud and non-disclosure
- Construction
- Partition
- Easements
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Quiet title

- Slander of title
- Eminent domain
- Title insurance claims
- Partnership dissolutions
- Foreclosure actions
- Brokerage commission claims
- Commercial lease disputes

He also regularly handles business litigation involving misappropriation of trade secrets, fraudulent transfers, unfair business practices, wrongful termination, copyright, trademark and breach of contract cases.

Prior to joining Hopkins & Carley, Perry was a partner for 14 years at Terra Law LLP. Before practicing law, he was a real estate broker in Santa Clara County from 1989-1996.

## Experience

### Real Estate Sales and Options

- Successfully represented clients in a claim accusing them of nondisclosure, fraud and defective construction. Client ultimately prevailed.
- Represented one of the state's largest affordable housing developers in a complex real estate breach of contract and fraud case. Following a four-week bench trial, client was awarded approximately \$2.2 million dollars in damages plus most of the attorney fees and costs it incurred.
- Assisted in representing Applied Materials in connection with the exercise of its purchase options on three large commercial buildings. Following extensive trial court and appellate proceedings the court ruled that Applied Materials was entitled to acquire the buildings.

### Construction

- *Hollander Smith Construction, Inc. v. Garlock and Company, Inc.* Represented Hollander Smith Construction, Inc. in a \$2 million breach of contract. The matter was successfully resolved at mediation.
- *McQuillan v. Monterey Development Group* Represented buyer of a new house, who several years after moving in discovered the house was sinking due to improper compaction of the building site. The matter was successfully resolved at mediation.

### Easements

- *Berkeley Bazaar Partners v. Richerson* Achieved summary judgment in a quiet title lawsuit brought against an adjacent

landowner who claimed to have a parking easement.

## Corporate Litigation

- Successfully defended client against a \$5 million fraud claim in Delaware Chancery Court, and obtained findings that plaintiff spoliated evidence, acted in bad faith, and brought frivolous claims. The court originally dismissed the case and then later awarded \$2.3 million of attorney fees and costs to our client.
- *Ludwig Betchart, Inc. v. Betchart* Won trial in which client was accused of misappropriation of corporate funds.

## Professional Activities

- Mayor, City of Gilroy, 2016
- Vice-Mayor, City of Gilroy, 2012-2015
- Council Member, City of Gilroy, 2007-2011
- Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors, 2010- 2016 (Chair 2015)
- Peninsula Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors (Caltrain), Board of Directors, 2013-2016 (Chair 2016)

## Bar Admissions

- State Bar of California (1996)
- State Bar of Nevada (1999)

## Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court District of Nevada
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U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

## Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law
- B.A., Economic and Politics, University of California, Santa Cruz