



## Shawn F. Harding

### Partner

**Shawn Harding** is a member of the firm's business and real estate practices with an emphasis on serving clients in the manufacturing, construction, distribution, transportation, real estate development, professional service and technology industries.

Mr. Harding routinely analyzes drafts, negotiates and manages business transactions including:

- Entity formation (corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships).
- Mergers and acquisitions.
- Spinoffs and distributions.
- Business reorganizations.
- Asset-based and real estate financing transactions.
- General procurement and commercial transactions.
- Employment and independent contractor transactions.
- Venture capital financing (debt and equity).
- Sales distribution, channel and OEM agreements.
- Alliance and business partnerships.
- Joint ventures.
- Copyright, patent and trademark licensing.
- Co-marketing and joint branding.
- Intellectual property transfers.
- Capital leases.
- Shareholder and buy - sell agreements.
- Asset, stock partnership and LLC membership interest transactions.
- Corporate policies and controls.
- Employee stock purchases and succession planning.

Mr. Harding provides legal counsel to numerous businesses in the capacity of outside general counsel with wide-ranging legal responsibilities including:

- General contractual matters.
- Employment law and disputes.
- Sales and marketing legal matters.
- Regulatory compliance.
- Trade secret / intellectual property protection.

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As part and parcel of his business practice, Mr. Harding regularly registers trademark and copyrights with applicable government authorities. He has also defended businesses in trademark and trade-secret misappropriation litigation.

Mr. Harding also has considerable experience in real estate transactions and disputes having represented commercial property developers, landlords, property management companies, real property investors and tenants. In his real estate practice, he frequently provides counsel in matters concerning commercial leasing, financing, development and tenancy disputes.

In a prior career, Mr. Harding held various junior executive positions with AT&T in the San Francisco Bay Area in the sales, operations and marketing departments.

Mr. Harding, along with the other professionals at Buchman Provine Brothers Smith LLP, continuously strive to provide accurate, timely, thorough and economically efficient advice to the firm's clients.

## **Practice Groups**

- [BUSINESS](#)
- [EMPLOYMENT](#)
- [LITIGATION](#)
- [REAL ESTATE](#)

## **Education**

- University of San Francisco School of Law (J.D. 2003)
- University of California, Davis (B.A. 1996)

## **Professional Membership**

- State Bar of California (Corporate section member)
- Contra Costa County Bar Association (Real estate and corporate section member)