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**JESSE J. YANG**

Jesse Yang has successfully represented many clients in an array of matters of environmental compliance associated with securing and defending land use entitlements.

Jesse has over 26 years of experience involving the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). His CEQA/NEPA experience includes four years as a project manager for a nationwide environmental consulting firm that prepared CEQA and NEPA environmental documentation for public sector clients and 22 years as an environmental and land use attorney specializing in CEQA/NEPA compliance. In his capacity as an environmental and land use attorney, Jesse has advised public and private sector clients regarding various aspects of CEQA and NEPA compliance, including, but not limited to, reviewing and commenting on the adequacy of CEQA and NEPA documents and defending the adequacy of such documents. He has made court appearances at both Superior Court and Court of Appeal levels in defense of environmental documents.

Jesse also advises clients with regard to a variety of other land use and environmental matters, including, but not limited to, compliance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (SMARA), the Williamson Act, and the State Planning and Zoning Law.

Originally from San Luis Obispo, Jesse has lived in the Sacramento region since 1994. As an avid mountain biker and snowboarder, he takes advantage of the proximity of the Sacramento region to the Sierra Nevada and Coast Ranges.

*Education*

- University of California, Irvine (B.S., Biological Sciences, 1990)
- Seattle University School of Law (J.D., 1994)

*Honors*

- University of California Regents Scholarship recipient
- University of California Alumni Scholarship recipient

*Professional Affiliations*

- Association of Environmental Professionals (Legislative Review Committee, 1996-2000)
- State Bar Environmental Law Section

*Community Involvement*

- Celebrate Natomas Steering Committee (2009-2010)

- Celebrate Sacramento Steering Committee (2011-2013)

*Admissions*

- State of California: 1995

*Published Court Decisions*

- *Western Placer Citizens for an Agricultural and Rural Environment v. County of Placer, et al.* (2006) 144 Cal.App.4th 890.