



## Gordon E Hart

Partner, Real Estate Department

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**Gordon E. Hart** is a partner in the Real Estate practice of Paul Hastings and is based in the firm's San Francisco office. He focuses on environmental and land use law, and government advocacy. His practice includes permitting, enforcement, transactional and litigation issues on behalf of real estate developers, energy project developers, commercial property owners, public agencies, manufacturers, and environmental service and waste management companies.

### Recent Representations

Mr. Hart's work on behalf of clients encompasses the following:

- Obtaining and renewing permits, authorizations and entitlements from local, state and federal agencies under various state and federal land use and environmental laws;
- Supervising the preparation of environmental impact reports and statements, remedial action plans, risk management plans, and similar plans and reports;
- Defending against litigation challenging projects under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and other state and federal planning and environmental statutes;
- Supervising environmental due diligence efforts, drafting and negotiating environmental provisions in purchase and sale agreements, land use covenants and other property transfer and documents;
- Drafting and negotiating environmental remediation contracts and environmental insurance policies;
- Defending environmental enforcement actions brought by state and federal regulatory agencies and negotiating consent decrees and other enforceable agreements;
- Lobbying the California State Legislature and executive agencies on legislative and regulatory proposals.

### Speaking Engagements and Publications

### San Francisco

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### Practice Areas

Land Use  
Real Estate Development and Construction  
Environment and Energy  
Energy and Global Climate Change  
Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions  
Real Estate  
Government Affairs

### Admissions

California Bar

### Education

Reed College, B.A. 1984  
University of the Pacific,  
McGeorge School of Law,  
J.D. 1994

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- Author of "Brownfields Redevelopment at Closed Military Bases," a chapter in the American Bar Association's handbook, Environmental Aspects of Business and Real Estate Transactions (3rd Ed. 2004).

### Professional and Community Involvement

- Prior to entering private practice, Mr. Hart served in several capacities on the staff of the California State Legislature. Those positions included serving as senior consultant to the Senate Toxics and Public Safety Management Committee, as counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee, and as counsel to the Speaker of the Assembly.
- He has served on numerous local and state agency advisory committees related to land use, transportation, hazardous waste and other environmental issues over the last twenty-five years.

### Education

- McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific, graduated first in class, 1994 (Order of the Coif and Order of the Barristers)
- Fellow in Public Affairs with the Coro Foundation, 1985-1986
- Reed College, B.A. in Political Science, 1984

### News

#### May 01, 2020

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2020

#### May 01, 2019

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2019

#### May 11, 2018

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2018

#### June 05, 2017

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2017

#### June 28, 2016

Related Companies Secures Approval for the Largest Private Development

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Project in Silicon Valley

**June 08, 2016**

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2016

**May 20, 2015**

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2015

**May 27, 2014**

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2014

**May 27, 2013**

Paul Hastings Employment Practice Honored with Chambers "Award for Excellence" and Firms Leading Practices and Lawyers Ranked in Chambers USA 2013

**June 07, 2012**

Paul Hastings Excels in Chambers USA 2012 Guide

**June 10, 2011**

Paul Hastings Excels in Chambers USA 2011 Guide

**February 08, 2011**

Paul Hastings Advising Facebook on Acquisition, Leasing, and Development of New Global Headquarters

**August 04, 2010**

Paul Hastings Advises Lennar Corporation on Hunters Point Redevelopment

**June 14, 2010**

Paul Hastings Garners Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2010 Guide

**June 06, 2008**

Paul Hastings Represents Lennar Corporation in Mixed-Use Development Project Passed by San Francisco Voters

**June 05, 2006**

Paul Hastings Practice Areas and Attorneys Earn Top Honors in Latest Edition of

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Chambers USA

**May 25, 2005**

Paul Hastings Soars in Chambers USA 2005 Rankings

### Insights

**June 05, 2012**

Court Rules Business as Usual Method of Evaluating GHG Impacts Under CEQA Was Unlawful Where Baseline Reflected Hypothetical

**December 15, 2010**

Passage of Proposition 26 Alters Future of Regulatory Fees in California

**November 02, 2010**

California Enacts Landmark Energy Storage Law

**June 18, 2010**

The Constitutionality of Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs Under Federal and California Law *A White Paper*

**September 24, 2007**

The California Attorney Generals Latest Settlement: ConocoPhillips Company Agrees to Offset Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Expanded Refinery

### Rankings & Awards

**May 01, 2020**

Recognized by Chambers USA 2020

**April 26, 2019**

Ranked by Chambers USA 2019

**May 15, 2018**

Recognized by Chambers USA 2018

**June 05, 2017**

Recognized by Chambers USA 2017

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**June 08, 2016**

Recognized by Chambers USA 2016