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A LAW CORPORATION



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**Education:**

**The George Washington University Law School**

J.D. (2012)

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George Washington Scholar (top 1-15% of class)

The George Washington Law Review

Moot Court Board

Alternative Dispute Resolution Board

**Texas A&M University**

B.A., English, minor Classical Studies (May 2004)

Summa Cum Laude

Phi Beta Kappa

**Federal Court Clerkship:**

Law Clerk to Chief Judge Emily Hewitt, U.S. Court of

Federal Claims

**Areas of Practice:**

Real Estate and Business Transactions, Government Affairs

**Professional Activities:**

Licensed in Hawaii

Hawaii State Bar Association, Member of Real Property  
and Financial Services Section

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Development Association,

Government Affairs Committee

AIA Honolulu Board, Public Director

## LINDSAY E. ORMAN

Lindsay E. Orman is a Director of the firm. She is a versatile real estate and business law attorney who is skilled at analyzing complex matters and developing creative, results-oriented solutions. Ms. Orman represents diverse clients, including hotels, developers, government agencies, publicly traded companies, closely held entities, and individuals. She focuses her practice in the areas of real estate acquisitions and sales, land use and entitlements issues, business structure and operations, business transactions, and legislative and other government relations work.

Ms. Orman has been selected to the **Hawaii Super Lawyers®** list since 2024, and the **"Rising Star"** list in the practice area of Real Estate Law since 2018.

Ms. Orman has been named to **The Best Lawyers in America®** list in the practice areas of Business Organizations (Including LLC's and Partnerships) and Real Estate Law. Ms. Orman has also been named to **The Best Lawyers in America®, Ones to Watch** list in the practice areas of Appellate Practice, Corporate Law, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law, Government Relations Practice and Land Use and Zoning Law since 2022.

Ms. Orman is recognized by **Chambers and Partners USA Leading Lawyers for Business** in the practice area of Real Estate Law.

Ms. Orman holds **Martindale-Hubbell's®** highest possible rating **AV Preeminent®**; this rating is given by her legal peers, based on their knowledge of her work, knowledge and integrity.

Ms. Orman was recently published in Pacific Business News. The article focused on top issues the firm faced in 2020 and a look forward for 2021, and changes in laws regarding real estate and/or construction industry businesses. [Click here to read, page 22.](#)

Examples of Ms. Orman's work include:

**Hawaii counsel for one of the world's largest hotel owners.** Ms. Orman is a key member of the SOM&F team representing one of the world's largest hotel owners. Work includes real estate acquisitions, development, permitting, title issues, and government affairs work.

**Eminent Domain.** Ms. Orman represents a government agency in connection

with the condemnation of dozens of property interests for major infrastructure improvements. Work includes title and ownership issues, legal compliance, governmental approvals, and litigation strategy and support.

**Real Estate Sales and Acquisitions.** Ms. Orman regularly represents clients in connection with real estate sales and acquisitions. Work includes contract drafting and review, due diligence, closing documents and title insurance.

**Land Use and Development.** Ms. Orman advises clients on a number of matters related to land use and development. Work includes advising clients on entitlements and approvals, contract drafting and review (construction contracts, development agreements, and other related documents), title issues, and governmental affairs work.

**Business Transactions.** Ms. Orman regularly represents clients in connection with entity formation, registrations, and governing documents. Ms. Orman has also handled numerous business acquisitions from contract negotiations through closing, including several asset purchases on behalf of a Hawaii real estate brokerage.

**Legislative work.** Ms. Orman is registered as a lobbyist with the State of Hawaii and City and County of Honolulu. Work includes drafting proposed legislation and testimony, preparing legal analysis, meeting with key stakeholders, and advising clients on campaign spending and other reporting requirements.

**Litigation experience.** Ms. Orman has represented clients in state and federal court and in arbitrations. Ms. Orman's transactional work is informed by her litigation experience, including complex construction litigation and disputes related to entity control and change of control.

Before joining Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher, Ms. Orman served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Emily Hewitt in the United States Court of Federal Claims in Washington, DC. During law school, Ms. Orman interned with the U.S. Department of Justice, National Courts Section, Civil Division.

Prior to law school, Ms. Orman worked as a book editor at Random House, Inc. in New York City, where she acquired and edited books for both the Crown and Three Rivers Press imprints. Ms. Orman was born and raised in Texas.

***What People Say About Ms. Orman:***

*"Lindsay has a level of expertise and attention to detail that is rare. It is extremely impressive, and we are so lucky to have had her as a resource."*

*Chambers USA Leading Lawyers for Business Client Comment*

*Lindsay Orman actively acts on matters concerning legislation, investment structuring, acquisition and lease negotiation for clients in the hospitality sector. "She is creative in*

identifying possible solutions or alternatives."

*Chambers USA Leading Lawyers for Business Client Comment*

"Although Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher is a small firm, the lawyers are top-notch. They are practical, business-minded and responsive. Fees are reasonable. One of the best firms I've worked with."

*Best Law Firms, Client Comment*

"Our experience, and our results, in working with Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher has been outstanding. Their team of skilled attorneys offers expertise across a range of practice areas and exhibits a high level of professionalism, responsiveness and savvy. I would highly recommend."

*Best Law Firms, Client Comment*

"Sharon Lovejoy and Lindsay Orman at Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher are an absolute joy to work with, and I felt incredibly secure in their work. I was very, very impressed."

*Best Law Firms, Client Comment*

"During 2023, we had two major hotel acquisitions, one of which was the largest real estate hotel transaction in Hawaii for the year. The Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher team is very responsive and organized, keeping us on track to ensure issues were addressed and working well with the sellers' counsel. In one transaction, there was a very tight closing timeframe, yet Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher kept us in line so we could close on time. The team does an outstanding job documenting and summarizing the volumes of data supplied during the due diligence process. Among the various Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher team members, they stay well-coordinated, making their efforts more efficient for the client. We highly recommend Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher for hotel transactions."

*Best Law Firms, Client Comment*

"Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher has done a great job by using their property and litigation expertise as well as their extensive knowledge in eminent domain to work on extremely complex condemnation matters. They have an impressive team of attorneys and I couldn't be more pleased with their work product, client responsiveness and professionalism."

*Best Law Firms, Client Comment*