

Lisa Garvin Copeland, Esq.
Resume

Ms. Copeland started practicing law with a small Palm Desert law firm in 1989 as associate legal and litigation counsel for SunLine Transit Agency, The Coachella Valley Association of Governments, The City of Indio and The Coachella Valley Mosquito Abatement District along with a number of real estate developers, businesses and homeowners' associations. In addition to litigation, Ms. Copeland was responsible for drafting and negotiating complex agreements for clients, including in the areas of labor and employment.

In 2008, Ms. Copeland started a mediation practice and in 2011 expanded her field of practice into probate, estate planning and related areas. In her leisure time, Ms. Copeland enjoys the company of her dog Francie, riding her dressage horse "Rudi" Nureyev and duplicate bridge.

Education and Training:

J.D. Western State University College of Law, 1988 Summa Cum Laude, Salutatorian; B.S. Western State University College of Law, 1987

Professional Affiliations – Member of The California Bar Association, The Riverside County Bar Association, The Desert Bar Association

Published Appellate Cases:

Engine Manufacturers Association v. South Coast Air Quality Management District et al. (2004) 541 U.S. 246, 124 S.Ct. 1756, 158 L.Ed.2d 529 – amicus brief for SunLine Transit Agency; *Coachella Valley Mosquito And Vector Control District, v. California Public Employment Relations Board and California School Employees Association* (2005) 35 Cal.4th 1072; *SunLine Transit Agency v. Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1277* (2010) 189 Cal.App.4th 292; *Waste Management of the Desert Inc. v. Palm Springs Recycling Center, Inc.* (1994) 7 Cal.4th 478; *Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District et. al. v. City of Indio* (2002) 101 Cal.App.4th 12; *California Ranch Homes Development Company of Hemet v. San Jacinto Unified School District* (1993) 17 Cal.App.4th 573

Publications:

Copeland, *MMBA Unfair Practices Restricted to Six-Month Statute of Limitations* (February 2004) No. 164, California Public Employee Relations Journal.

Copeland, *The California Supreme Court Overturns Practice of the Public Employment Relations Board Applying a Three Years Statute of Limitation to Unfair Practice Charges Filed Under the Meyers-Milias Brown Act*, (2005), Vol. 19, No. 4, California Labor & Employment L.Rev., 11, 33.