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Sid has extensive experience in real estate, business and regulatory matters. He represents a broad spectrum of clients, including title insurers and agents, healthcare providers, transportation logistics, food processors, lenders, agribusinesses, real estate investors and venture capital providers.

Not only working with startups, Sid works with well-established entities in negotiating and closing complex business deals involving mergers, acquisitions, sales, share and asset purchases, shareholder separations, joint ventures, and private placements.

He represents prospective business purchasers, and he has developed special skills in working with business founders, their families, and personal professional advisors. Sid's involvement is usually characterized by team participation, excellent communication between participants resulting in expeditious and efficient documentation, often avoiding costly future misunderstandings.

Sid has been instrumental in developing a strong team at Fennemore Wendel to effectively represent title insurers and underwritten title insurance companies in regulatory matters before the California Department of Insurance. These matters include audit compliance and the obtaining of organizational permits and approvals for sales, mergers and acquisitions of underwritten title companies.

In addition, he has a particular passion for transportation issues, bringing experience and familiarity with matters involving logistics and infrastructure financing affecting shippers, retailers, rail carriers and land development projects.

A native of Modesto, California, Sid provides first-hand knowledge of the Great Central Valley's changing demographics and connectivity to Fennemore Wendel's clients and their expanding needs. Sid helped originate and maintains strong connections with Fennemore Wendel's Modesto office. With considerable experience and knowledge of the Great Central Valley's resources, challenges and opportunities, Sid has been involved in several projects, including agriculture research, food safety, farm equipment manufacturing, and public and private development partnerships.

### EDUCATION

- J.D., University of California, Los Angeles – School of Law
- B.A., University of California, Berkeley

## AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Business
- Real Estate
- Title Insurance

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated (the highest rating available), by Martindale-Hubbell

## PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Member, Transportation Committee, Bay Area Council
- Member, California Land Title Association
- Member, Business Law Section, State Bar of California
- Vice-Chair and Advisor, Executive Committee, Real Property Law Section, State Bar of California
- Member, Board of Trustees, UC Merced Foundation

## ADMISSIONS

- California
- U.S. District Court