

We are pleased to announce that



K. Erik "Rick" Friess
has joined our
Orange County office

Rick Friess, a new partner in the firm's Orange County office, has a proven track record as a successful trial attorney, with a focus on eminent domain and inverse condemnation. He has represented both landowners and public agencies in some of the biggest, multi-million dollar cases in the state. With 19 years of real estate litigation experience, Rick is adept at negotiating creative and valuable settlements for his clients. Given his comprehensive perspective on eminent domain, clients frequently seek his advice on strategic planning regarding land acquisition before litigation arises.

Rick was previously a partner with Nossaman LLP, where he chaired Nossaman's statewide eminent domain and valuation practice group and where he had begun his legal career as a summer clerk in 1988.

Rick is past president of the Orange County Chapter of the International Right-of-Way Association and held

other offices including treasurer, membership chair and newsletter co-chair. He is the immediate past-president of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley, and continues to serve on the Clubs' board of directors and executive committee and acts as the Clubs' *pro bono* general counsel. He is a member of the Orange County and American Bar Associations.

Rick received his J.D. from University of California, Hastings College of the Law. He received his undergraduate degree in Urban Studies and Planning from Revelle College, University of California, San Diego.

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