

Matthew L. Kahl

Attorney

Services: Business, Governmental Services, Land Use

Industries: Charter Schools, Commercial Real Estate, Construction and Development, Financial Services, Local Governments and Special Districts



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OVERVIEW

With over 15 years of experience, Matthew provides guidance to clients across multiple industry areas including financial services, commercial real estate, construction, charter schools, and local government. His experience includes negotiating purchase and sale agreements, real estate and leasing transactions, public contracting, public meetings and records, and construction contracts.

Prior to joining Jordan Ramis, Matthew served as a Chief Compliance Officer and in-house counsel to the Chief Operations Officer for a multi-state mortgage default services law firm. In this role, Matthew drafted firm policies and procedures ensuring compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations and provided guidance to senior management and clients on compliance-related issues.

In addition to his legal practice, Matthew also focuses on civil rights in the Pacific Northwest. His passion to create a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive community has led Matthew to serve as co-chair on the firm's DEI Committee and to serve as the board chair of the Anti-Defamation League's Pacific Northwest region. Matthew was also an inaugural member of the ADL's Glass Leadership Institute Alumni Advisory Board and serves as the ADL's local representative on the Oregon Coalition Against Hate Crime and the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland's Jewish Community Relations Council. Committed to the growth and development of his community, Matthew remains actively involved with the Lake Oswego Chamber of Commerce where he has served as president of the Chamber's Board of Directors, chair of the Chamber's Government Affairs committee, and participated in the Chamber's Leadership Lake Oswego program.

When not practicing law, Matthew enjoys spending time with his wife, Kathleen, and two children, Eliana and Maddox, exploring the Pacific Northwest, attending community and cultural events, playing tennis and golf, and following his favorite sports teams (Dolphins, Heat, Panthers, Gators and, of course, the Timbers).

Education

- B.A., University of Florida, 2001
- J.D., University of Miami School of Law, 2004

Membership and Activities

- Lake Oswego Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors (2021-2024), Government Affairs Committee Chair (2020–Present)
- Jordan Ramis PC Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Co-Chair (2021–Present)
- Anti-Defamation League Pacific Northwest Region, Advisory Board Chair (2023-24)
- Society for Human Resource Managers
- Oregon State Bar, Real Estate and Land Use Section
- Florida State Bar, Real Property Probate and Trust Law Section, Out-of-State Division, Past-President
- Multnomah Bar Association (2018–Present)
- Oregon City Attorneys Association
- American Bar Association

Awards and Honors

- ADL, Daniel L. Ginsberg Award, 2020