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Dan came to Belden Blaine Raytis, LLP after more than fifteen years at a distinguished public agency and water law firm and the Kern County Water Agency where he served as the Assistant General Counsel. Dan's experience during that time was focused on providing general counsel, real property, water law and complex litigation services to various clients, including public agencies (primarily water districts), mutual water companies, and private entities.

Dan has led all areas of litigation, including strategy development, fact investigation, taking and defending depositions, discovery and motion practice, and preparing and developing expert witnesses. As an example, Dan was the lead attorney in complex CEQA litigation challenging the certification by the State of California of an Environmental Impact Report for the largest water banking project in the world. Dan's clients' success in that case was written about in several news outlets, including the Bakersfield Californian, Los Angeles Times and the Associated Press.

Dan began his career in San Francisco, working at one of this country's preeminent law firms (Shook, Hardy & Bacon) representing international tobacco and automotive companies. At Shook, Hardy & Bacon, Dan served on trial teams with some of the most celebrated litigators in the country.

Dan is the proud father of three daughters, Madeline, Lillian and Evelyn, and the proud husband of Katy, his life and business partner.

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Bar Admissions
State Bar of California
Eastern District of California

Education
Bachelor of Science, Administration of
Justice
San Jose State University, 1998

Juris Doctor, University of San Francisco,
2001

Practice Focus

Public Agency, Water, CEQA, Real Property & Litigation

Community Involvement

Kern County Library Foundation, Board Member
Kern Community Foundation, Scholarship Evaluator
Mock Trial Coach, Garces Memorial High School
Youth Sports Coach (Volleyball, Lacrosse, Soccer and Basketball)
Eucharistic Minister, St. Francis of Assisi Church

Publications & Published Decisions:

Indest v. Freeman Decorating, Inc.; Dealing with Vicarious Liability for Sexual Harassment by a Supervisor, 35 U.S.F. L.Rev. 623 (Spring 2001)
North Kern Water Storage District v. Kern Delta Water District, 147 Cal. App. 4th 555 (2007)

Professional Experience

McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth, Partner, 2010-2018
Kern County Water Agency, Assistant General Counsel, 2006-2010
McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth, Associate, 2003-2006
Shook, Hardy & Bacon, Associate, 2001-2003

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