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Richard is a Partner at Lagerlof, LLP focusing his practice on corporate, real estate, employment matters and general business matters. Prior to joining Lagerlof, LLP, Rich was the Managing Partner of Anglin, Flewelling & Rasmussen, LLP.

Rich represents local and national clients in a variety of industry sectors, including automobile dealerships, manufacturing and distribution companies, shopping center owners and mixed use developers, universities and non-profit entities, restaurant and retail establishments, commercial landlords and tenants, and real estate brokerage companies. Because of the breadth of his experience, Rich is often called upon to serve in the role of outside general counsel for clients.

Rich has significant experience in advising and counseling clients in corporate transactions, including the handling of mergers and acquisitions, stock and asset purchase transactions, entity structuring, intellectual property licensing, employment arrangements, buy-sell arrangements, corporate governance, and general business contracts.

Rich is similarly experienced in representing clients in commercial real estate transactions, including commercial property acquisitions and dispositions, secured financing, leasing (ground, office, industrial and retail), 1031 exchanges, complex title issues, and brokerage and escrow arrangements.

Rich received his undergraduate degree from Biola College in 1980. He graduated cum laude from Loyola Law School in 1987, was a member of the St. Thomas More Law Honor Society, and served as President of his law school's Phi Delta Phi Legal Honor Society. Rich was a tennis professional between college and law school.

Rich has received the highest rating (AV) for professional competence and ethics awarded by Martindale-Hubbell, the national directory of attorneys. He has been recognized as a "Southern California's Top Rated Lawyer" by the Los Angeles Times since 2013, has been voted a "Top Attorney" by Pasadena Magazine since 2021, a Commercial Real Estate Visionary by the Los Angeles Times in 2025, and has been repeatedly selected as one of Southern California's "Super Lawyers", an honor reserved for less than 5% of lawyers in the state.

Rich is a frequent author and speaker on transactional matters. Recently he was a co-author and presenter at the National Business Institute's "Ultimate Guide to Commercial Real Estate Law." He also assists a variety of non-profit public benefit and religious corporations with their legal needs and enjoys serving on the boards of Lighthouse Media NA and San Gabriel Community Church. Rich is a member of the National Association of Dealer Counsel (NADC), and the California, Los Angeles County and Pasadena Bar Associations.

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