

# Alison E. Geddes

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## EXPERIENCE

**Alison Geddes is a shareholder in Weintraub's Real Estate practice group.**

Alison understands the business of commercial property ownership and management, and she works with clients to achieve results consistent with their business objectives in both drafting and enforcing commercial leases.

Alison's transactional practice includes representing property owners in negotiating and drafting commercial lease documents, including leases, amendments, assignments, and termination agreements. Her commercial property management experience includes assisting owners and managers of retail, industrial, office, and mixed-use property in all aspects of lease enforcement, including the analysis of lease compliance, the preparation and service of default notices to tenants, unlawful detainer litigation, breach of lease litigation, judgment enforcement, CAM disputes, and issues pertaining to abandonment of leased property and tenants' personal property.

Alison is a panelist and speaker on leasing, lease enforcement, and property management issues, including seminars for the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA), Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW), and seminars for Continuing Education of the Bar. Additionally, she provides seminars for clients on specific leasing and property management issues.

## Representative Litigation Experience

- Represents property owners and developers in the negotiation and drafting of commercial leasing and other lease documents, including lease amendments, assignments and termination agreements.
- Represents parties to leases pertaining to the exercise of options to lease commercial real property.
- Represents REITs holding more than 9 million square feet of retail and mixed-use commercial real estate with lease disputes, evictions, lease enforcement and obtaining and enforcing judgments.

## PRACTICE AREAS

Leasing and Lease  
Enforcement  
Real Estate

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- California

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## EDUCATION

J.D., Pepperdine University  
School of Law, Malibu, 2004

B.A., University of Colorado,  
Boulder, 2000

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- Successfully negotiated and drafted a lease amendment enforceable by court judgment in litigation pertaining to commercial tenant's numerous lease defaults regarding completion of tenant improvements, failure to obtain licenses and permits and failure to pay rent.
- Successfully negotiated settlement agreement following a tenant's abandonment of leased property wherein individual lease guarantors paid the landlord an amount equivalent to more than 21 monthly rent payments.
- Negotiated a lease termination agreement with a national restaurant chain tenant in which the tenant paid a termination fee equivalent to more than one year's rent.
- Negotiated a successful settlement agreement on behalf of a regional REIT charged with a breach of lease by its tenant.
- Represented a commercial landlord's interests in a dispute with a national retail anchor tenant regarding annual common area maintenance reconciliations.
- Successfully obtained court-issued prejudgment attachment liens upon real property.

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### AFFILIATIONS & AWARDS

State Bar of California

*Member*

Sacramento Bar Association, Real Property Law Section

*Member*

Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Sacramento

*Member*

California Lawyers Association

*Member*

CREW Sacramento

*Board of Directors, 2015 – 2018*

*President, 2018-2019*

### **Awards**

Northern California Super Lawyer, 2021, 2022

*Sacramento Magazine's Top Lawyers List, 2016-2022*

*Sacramento Business Journal's Best of the Bar, 2017-2019*

CREW Sacramento's Member of the Year, 2016