

### Office of the General Counsel





#### **Metropolitan Cases**

## Dane Crawford v. Metropolitan (Riverside County Superior Court)

As previously reported, on August 29, 2025, the Riverside County Superior Court granted Metropolitan's motion for summary judgment or, in the alternative, summary adjudication, dismissing

the case in its entirety before trial. After considering Metropolitan's proposed judgment and plaintiff's objections, on October 2, 2025, the court entered final judgment in Metropolitan's favor. The court included a statement that it would review whether to award costs upon proper motion(s).

### **Matters Impacting Metropolitan**

#### Chamber v. EPA (CERCLA PFAS)

On September 17, 2025, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) filed a motion asking the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit to lift a stay on the pending legal challenge brought by industry groups, led by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, against the EPA's Final Rule designating two of the most common PFAS—PFOA and PFOS, including their salts and structural isomers—as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) ("Final Rule").

In its motion, EPA stated that it had "completed its review [of the Final Rule] and has decided to keep the Rule in place." According to a declaration attached to EPA's motion, "EPA will continue to engage with Congress and industry to establish a clear liability framework that ensures the polluter pays and passive receivers are protected."

On the same day EPA filed its motion, EPA also issued a news release in which Administrator Zedlin stated that he has "heard loud and clear from the American people, from Congress, and

from local municipalities" that when it comes to PFOA and PFOS contamination, "holding polluters accountable while providing certainty for passive receivers that did not manufacture or generate those chemicals continues to be an ongoing challenge." As EPA implements the rule designating PFOA and PFOS as CERCLA hazardous substances, "EPA will continue to collect information on its costs and benefits. The best, most enduring solution to this issue is a statutory fix to protect passive receivers from

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liability, which EPA would follow to the letter of the law. EPA stands ready to provide technical assistance to Congress as requested on this issue."

The legal challenge seeking to vacate the Final Rule was filed in June 2024. Among other arguments, the petitioners contend that EPA significantly underestimated the costs of the designations of PFOA and PFOS as CERCLA hazardous substances in the Final Rule, exceeded the scope of EPA's statutory authority in applying CERCLA Section 102(a), and violated notice and comment procedures under the Administrative Procedures Act in issuing the proposed and Final Rule. Following initial briefing by both sides, EPA requested in February that the court stay the litigation pending review of the Final Rule by the new Presidential administration and EPA leadership. Between February and September, EPA filed several subsequent motions to continue the stay. On September 25, the court granted EPA's motion to lift the stay and ordered the case to be returned to the court's active docket.

On October 2, the court confirmed a jointly proposed schedule for additional briefing in the legal challenge. Meanwhile, it remains to be seen how the federal government shutdown will affect the case. Notwithstanding the pending legal challenge, the Final Rule designating PFOA and PFOS as CERCLA hazardous substances will remain in effect through the course of the litigation

### EPA Asks Court to Vacate Drinking Water Standards for Four PFAS

On September 11, 2025, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) filed a motion in a federal appellate court to vacate its Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs), Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs), and its determination to regulate PFNA, PFHxS, and HFPO-DA (commonly known as GenX chemicals) individually and mixtures of those three PFAS and PFBS in drinking water through a novel hazard index. EPA admitted that parts of its rulemaking process were unlawful, including its failure to allow public comment on the proposed MCLs and MCLGs after EPA had made the final determination to regulate these PFAS. Therefore, portions of its PFAS regulations are invalid. Notably, EPA did not ask the court to vacate the MCLs and MCLGs for PFOA and PFOS; instead, it intends to keep and defend that portion of its rulemaking. The American Water Works Association (AWWA), the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA), National Association of Manufacturers, American Chemistry Council, and The Chemours Company FC, LLC consented to EPA's motion. However, parties that intervened in the lawsuit (including environmental groups such as the Natural Resources Defense Council) opposed EPA's motion, arguing that EPA made no procedural error in setting the new standards for the four PFAS.

EPA had previously announced on May 14, 2025, that it plans to keep the current MCLs of 4 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOA and PFOS and extend for two years (until 2031) the deadline for water systems to meet the drinking water standards for PFOA and PFOS. EPA intends to issue a proposed rule in fall 2025 to formalize the extended compliance timeline for PFOA and PFOS, with a final rule expected in spring 2026. EPA also said it plans to establish a federal exemption framework.

EPA also intends to rescind the MCLs and MCLGs and reconsider the regulatory determinations for PFHxS, PFNA, GenX chemicals, and the hazard index mixture of these three plus PFBS to ensure that the determinations and any resulting drinking water regulation follow the legal process laid out in the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). These latter actions were in response to AWWA, AMWA, and several chemical industry associations challenging EPA in a federal appellate court last year for EPA's

alleged failure to comply with the SDWA when setting the MCLs and MCLGs for the six PFAS.

The litigation was stayed for several months while new EPA leadership determined how to proceed. After EPA filed its motion to vacate the drinking water standards for four of the six PFAS, the court set a briefing schedule. Accordingly, the other parties filed briefs responding to EPA's motion on September 26, 2025. However, given the shutdown of the federal government, on October 3, 2025, the court granted EPA's request to stay this litigation. Metropolitan staff will continue to monitor EPA's regulation of PFAS and related litigation. (See General Counsel's April 2024 Board Report.)

### Metropolitan Cases

<u>Category</u>	Received	<u>Description</u>		
Actions in which MWD is a party	3	Complaint – Property Damage (Motor Vehicle), filed in San Bernardino County Superior Court, in the case <i>Mercury Insurance v. MWD</i> , Case No. CIVR2502721, relating to a subrogation claim resulting from a motor vehicle accident involving an MWD vehicle Complaint – Property Damage, Personal Injury, Negligence (Motor Vehicle), filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court, in the case <i>Karen Markosyan v. MWD, et al.</i> , Case No. 25TRCV02583, relating to a motor vehicle accident involving an MWD vehicle Complaint – Personal Injury, Premise Liability, General Negligence, filed in Riverside County Superior Court, in the case <i>Karen Lynn Simler v. City of Hemet, County of Riverside, MWD</i> , Case No. CVME2503833, in which Plaintiff tripped and fell due to conditions of the sidewalk on Searl Parkway in the city of Hemet		
Government Code Claims	3		tor vehicle accidents involving MWD g to injury from a fall due to metal plates in Vay in the city of Lynwood	
Subpoenas	2		ubpoenas for employee's personnel, nedule and workers' comp records	
Requests Pursuant to the Public Records Act	32	Requestor	Documents Requested	
		BidAmerica (3 requests)	(1) Bid documents for Sepulveda Feeder PCCP Rehabilitation - Reach 2; (2) bid documents for Delta Properties Infrastructure Phase 5B Improvements; and (3) bid documents for Landscape Maintenance for Metropolitan's Diamond Valley Lake Apprenticeship Center & Western Science Center	
		CCS Global Tech (2 requests)	(1) Scoring sheet for evaluating responses to Request for Qualifications for On-Call Services-Information Technology (II) Application Support Services; and (2) responses by the winning vendors to each task order under the Request for Qualifications for On-Call Information Technology Services	
		Center for Contract Compliance (2 Requests)	(1) Bid and contract information for Diamond Valley Lake Apprentice Perimeter Fence; and (2) bid and contract information for landscape and tree maintenance and irrigation work at the Diemer Water Treatment Plant	

Requestor Documents Requested

Citizens for Communications for the period

Accountability January 1, 2023 to the present between Chair Ortega and MWD Staff regarding

assistance provided to California

Association of Mutual Water Companies

City of Corona MWD Colorado River Watershed Survey

ConstructConnect Information regarding the Request for Qualifications for Design - Engineering

Services Water Treatment Facilities, Conveyance, Storage, and Distribution Facilities Conveyance, Storage, and

Distribution Facilities

Deltek Specifications for the Delta Properties

Infrastructure Phase 5B Improvements

eRepublic Bid tabulations, award letters, and (2 Requests) winning vendors' responses to the

winning vendors' responses to the Requests for Qualifications for: (1) On-

Call Information Technology

Infrastructure Services; and (2) On-Call Information Technology (IT) Application Support Services and On-Call IT Quality

Assurance & Control, Project

Management, and Business Analysis

Support Services

**EY Unclaimed Property** 

Services

Data on unclaimed, uncollected, undeliverable payments, including uncashed/outstanding checks

Inland Empire Account

(2 requests)

(1) Communications from Ethics Office regarding Board Chair becoming interim

or permanent GM; and (2)

communications re possible Brown Act

violation that occurred on

August 11, 2025 and communications regarding the Board's selection process for the GM position for the period August

1, 2025 to the present

Kultevat Information regarding constituents in

MWD drinking water

Lexitas Current contract with Tristar Risk

Management for third-party workers compensation claims administration services and contract for third-party administration services for auto and

general liability claims

Orange County

**Transportation Authority** 

MWD's contract for FranklinCovey's All

Access Pass

Peak Solutions Complete bid package submitted by B&K

Valves & Equipment, Inc. for globe

valves

Pinnacle Petroleum Bid tabulation and bid submitted by

Merrimac Energy Group for Carb Ultra-Low Sulfur and Renewable Diesel Fuel, and current fuel contract between MWD

and the current fuel supplier

Private Citizens (4 requests)

(1) Communications between Chair Ortega and MWD Board from January 1, 2021 to the present; (2) operation logs for Wadsworth Pumping Plant and documents regarding pumping into and discharge from Diamond Valley Lake; (3) invoices and associated payment records for payments made to All-Star Talent Inc. in 2024 and 2025; and (4) MWD medical and dental health insurance rate sheets for 2025

Public Record Treasury Most recent participant fee disclosures

and benchmarking/vendor

comparison/cost analysis reports for all MWD sponsored retirement plans, and records naming the fiduciaries or

authorized representatives for the 457(b) or other deferred compensation plans

Quanta Utility
Engineering Services

Substructure as-built maps showing any MWD utilities near Southern California Edison project in the city of Hidden Hills

Right American Way Chair Ortega's work-related calendar and

records of his travel-related expenses for the period January 1, 2023 to the

present

SmartProcure Purchase order data including purchase

order number, purchase order date, line item details, line item quantity, line item

price, vendor information from May 12, 2025 to current

SoCal Water Wars Communications between Chair Ortega

and MWD Staff regarding assistance provided to California Association of

Mutual Water Companies,

communications between Chair Ortega and MWD Board, communications regarding possible Brown Act violation, Ethics Officer communications re permissibility of Board Chair becoming GM, and Chair Ortega's calendar and

travel-related expenses

Requestor	Documents Requested
Voice of San Diego	All documents, lists, applications, received after February 3, 2025, regarding individuals who applied for or were considered for the General Manager position
Western Indoor Environmental Services	Quote and purchase order to Alliance Environmental Group for Iron Mountain Pumping Plant Duct Cleaning

#### PLEASE NOTE

- ADDITIONS ONLY IN THE FOLLOWING TWO TABLES WILL BE SHOWN IN RED.
- ANY CHANGE TO THE *OUTSIDE COUNSEL AGREEMENTS*TABLE WILL BE SHOWN IN REDLINE FORM (I.E., ADDITIONS, REVISIONS, DELETIONS).

#### **Bay-Delta and SWP Litigation**

### Subject

#### **Delta Conveyance Project CEQA Cases**

Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District v.
California Department of Water Resources (case name for the consolidated cases)

City of Stockton v. California Department of Water Resources

County of Butte v. California Department of Water Resources

County of Sacramento v. California Department of Water Resources

County of San Joaquin et al. v. California Department of Water Resources

Sacramento Area Sewer District v. California Department of Water Resources

San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources

Sierra Club, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources

South Delta Water Agency and Rudy Mussi Investment L.P. v. California Department of Water Resources

Sacramento County Superior Ct. (Judge Acquisto)

3d District Court of Appeal Case No. C101878

# **Delta Conveyance Project Water Right Permit Litigation**

Central Delta Water Agency et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board

Fresno County Superior Court (Judge Maria Diaz)

#### **Status**

- DWR is the only named respondent/defendant
- All alleged CEQA violations
- Most allege violations of the Delta Reform Act,
   Public Trust Doctrine and Delta and
   Watershed Protection Acts
- Two allege violations of the fully protected bird statute.
- One alleges violations of Proposition 9 (1982) and the Central Valley Project Act
- Deadline for DWR to prepare the administrative record extended to Jan. 31, 2025
- June 20, 2024 trial court issued a preliminary injunction halting pre-construction geotechnical soil testing until DWR certifies that the DCP is consistent with the Delta Plan
- Aug. 19, 2024 DWR appealed the injunction
- Oct. 24, 2024 cases ordered consolidated for all purposes under *Tulare Lake Basin Water* Storage District v. California Department of Water Resources
- April 9, 2025, trial court denied DWR's motion for stay of enforcement of injunction to allow the DCA to resume preconstruction geotechnical work
- May 14, 2025 DWR's appeal of the preliminary injunction fully briefed and awaiting oral argument date
- Dec. 45, 2025 next case management conference
- September 16, 2025 oral argument on DWR's appeal of the preliminary injunction halting preconstruction geotechnical soil testing
- Complaint filed April 16, 2024, alleges that the State Water Board must rule on DWR's 2009 petition to extend the time to perfect its State Water Project rights before the State Water Board may begin to adjudicate DWR's petition to change its water rights to add new points of diversion for the Delta Conveyance Project
- May 1, 2025 deadline for plaintiffs to file a First Amended Complaint, which plaintiffs missed
- Sept. 10, 2025, hearing on State Water
  Contractors' motion to intervene and motion
  for protective order to limit the DCP change in
  point of diversion hearing to the change and

not the extension of	time for	the State	<del>Water</del>
Project water rights			

- Sept. 24, 2025 hearing on State Water Resources Control Board's motions to strike and dismiss
- Oct. 22, 2025 hearing on SWC's motion to intervene if the motions to strike and dismiss are denied
- Jan. 14, 2026 Case Management Conference Oct. 3, 2025 motion to dismiss sustained without leave to amend

### Sierra Club et al. v. California Department of Water Resources

Sacramento County Super. Ct. (Judge Jennifer K. Rockwell)

#### • Filed July 18, 2025

- Alleges DWR unlawfully "piecemealed" CEQA review of the Delta Conveyance Project and its petition to the State Water Resources Control Board for a time extension of its existing State Water Project water right permits
- Seeks an order requiring DWR to withdraw its time extension petition, decertify the DCP EIR, rescind the CEQA findings and project approval, prepare a subsequent EIR for the DCP, and prohibiting DWR from issuing revenue bonds until it has certified a subsequent EIR
- <u>December 1, 2025 hearing on DWR's</u> demurrer (motion to dismiss)

## Consolidated DCP Revenue Bond Validation Action and CEQA Case

Sierra Club, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources (CEQA, designated as lead case)

DWR v. All Persons Interested (Validation)

Sacramento County Superior Ct. (Judge Kenneth C. Mennemeier)

3d District Court of Appeal Case No. C100552

#### Validation Action

- Final Judgment and Final Statement of Decision issued January 16, 2024 ruling the bonds are not valid
- DWR, Metropolitan and other supporting public water agencies filed Notices of Appeal on or before the February 16, 2024 deadline
- Eight opposing groups filed Notices of Cross Appeals by March 27, 2024
- Appeals and cross-appeals fully briefed as of May 12, 2025, and awaiting oral argument date
- November 19, 2025 oral argument

### 2025 Delta Conveyance Program Revenue Bond Validation

Department of Water Resources v. All Persons Interested, etc.

Sacramento County Superior Court (Judge Kenneth C. Mennemeier)

- Jan. 6, 2025, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) adopted a new bond resolution
- Jan. 7, DWR filed a complaint seeking a judgment validating its authority to issue the bonds under the CVP Act
- 15 answers filed, 10 in opposition and 5 in support
- June 12, 2025 two motions to dismiss denied

	<ul> <li>Aug. 15, 2025 case assigned to Judge Mennemeier for all purposes</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Feb. 27Sept.23, 20256 Case Management Conference</li> </ul>
	• Dec. 5, 2025 opening trial briefs
	Jan. 30, 2026 opposition briefs due
	• Feb. 20, 2026 reply briefs due
	March 16-20, 2026 trial on the merits
SWP-CVP 2019 BiOp Cases	<ul> <li>SWC intervened in both PCFFA and CNRA cases</li> </ul>
Pacific Coast Fed'n of Fishermen's Ass'ns, et al. v. Raimondo, et al. (PCFFA)	<ul> <li>Federal defendants reinitiated consultation on Oct 1, 2021 and new BiOps issued in fall/winter 2024</li> </ul>
Calif. Natural Resources Agency, et al. v. Raimondo, et al. (CNRA)	<ul> <li>Cases stayed until further notice in light of new BiOps and new administration</li> </ul>
Federal District Court, Eastern Dist. of California, Fresno Division	<ul> <li>Aug. 15, 2025 Federal Defendants' motions to dismiss cases as moot due</li> <li>Aug. 29, 2025 Defendant-Intervenors' briefs</li> </ul>
(Judge Thurston)	due
	<ul> <li>Oct. 29, 2025 Plaintiffs' opposition briefs due</li> <li>Nov. 26, 2025 Federal Defendants' reply briefs due</li> </ul>
2020 CESA Incidental Take Permit Cases	Administrative records certified in October 2023
Coordinated Case Name CDWR Water Operations Cases, JCCP 5117 (Coordination Trial Judge Gevercer)	<ul> <li>Order entered to delay setting a merits briefing schedule by 90 days and extending the time to bring the action to trial by six months</li> </ul>
Metropolitan & Mojave Water Agency v. Calif. Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, et al. (CESA/CEQA/Breach of	<ul> <li>Deadline to bring all the coordinated cases to trial is now December 5, 2025</li> </ul>
Contract)	<ul> <li>December 2024 three petitioner groups filed requests for dismissal without prejudice</li> </ul>
State Water Contractors & Kern County Water Agency v. Calif. Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, et al. (CESA/CEQA)	<ul> <li>SF Baykeeper dismissed its case on March 18, 2025</li> </ul>
San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water Dist. v. Calif. Dept. of Water Resources, et al. (CEQA/CESA/ Breach of Contract/Takings) Sierra Club, et al. v. Calif. Dept. of Water Resources (CEQA/Delta Reform Act/Public Trust)	<ul> <li>Metropolitan, SWC and San Bernardino Valley MWD filed requests to dismiss their cases in mid-July, 2025 based on the new ITP and entering a Memorandum of Understanding with CDFW and DWR to address the permitting process going forward</li> <li>Oct. 24, 2025 status conference and hearing re dismissal</li> </ul>
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2024 CESA Incidental Take Permit Cases  San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California	Cases challenge DWR's Final EIR and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's California Endangered Species Act Incidental

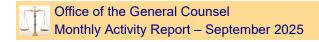
Take Permit for the updated Long Term

Operations plan for the State Water Project

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Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine)

Department of Water Resources (CEQA, Delta



Sacramento County Superior Ct. Case No. 24WM000185 (Judge Arguelles)

California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources, et al. (CEQA, CESA, Delta Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine)

Sacramento County Superior Ct. Case No. 24WM000181 (Judge Arguelles)

Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, et al. v. California Department Of Water Resources, et al. (CEQA)

Sacramento County Superior Ct. Case No. 24WM000183 (Judge Rockwell)

Central Delta Water Agency and South Delta Water Agency v. California Department of Water Resources (CEQA, Delta Reform Act, Watershed Protection Acts, Public Trust Doctrine)

Sacramento County Superior Ct. Case No. 24WM000186 (Judge Acquisto)

CDWR Environmental Impact Cases
Sacramento Superior Ct. Case No. JCCP 4942,
3d DCA Case No. C100302
(20 Coordinated Cases)

Validation Action

DWR v. All Persons Interested

CEQA 17 cases

CESA/Incidental Take Permit 2 cases

(Judge Arguelles)

- Cases dismissed after DWR rescinded project approval, bond resolutions, decertified the EIR, and CDFW rescinded the CESA incidental take permit
- January 10, 2020 Nine motions for attorneys' fees and costs denied in their entirety
- May 11, 2022, court of appeal reversed the trial court's denial of attorney fees and costs
- Coordinated cases remitted to trial court for rehearing of fee motions consistent with the court of appeal's opinion
- Dec. 26, 2023 order denying fee motions
- Six notices of appeal filed
- Appellants' opening briefs and appendices filed Oct. 29 and Oct. 31
- Feb. 13, 2025 DWR filed its omnibus respondents' (opposition) brief
- Appeals fully briefed as of June 6, 2025, and awaiting oral argument date

#### **Water Management Tools Contract Amendment**

California Water Impact Network et al. v. DWR Sacramento County Superior Ct. (Judge Acquisto)

- Filed September 28, 2020
- CWIN and Aqualliance allege one cause of action for violation of CEQA
- NCRA et al. allege four causes of action for violations of CEQA, the Delta Reform Act,

North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. DWR Sacramento County Super. Ct.	Public Trust Doctrine and seeking declaratory relief
(Judge Acquisto)	<ul> <li>SWC motion to intervene in both cases granted</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Dec. 20, 2022 DWR filed notice of certification of the administrative record and filed answers in both cases</li> </ul>

Outside Counsel Agreements				
Firm Name	Matter Name	Agreement No.	Effective Date	Contract Maximum
Albright, Yee & Schmit, APC	Employment Matter	222524	11/24	\$75,000
AFC	Employment Matter	222529	12/24	\$50,000
	Employment Matter	222536	03/25	\$50,000
	Employment Matter	222542	03/25	\$50,000
Andrade Gonzalez LLP	MWD v. DWR, CDFW and CDNR Incidental Take Permit (ITP) CESA/CEQA/Contract Litigation	<del>185894</del>	07/20	<del>\$250,000</del>
Aleshire & Wynder	Oil, Mineral and Gas Leasing	174613	08/18	\$50,000
Anzel Galvan LLP	Bond Issues	220411	07/24	N/A
Atkinson Andelson	Employee Relations	59302	04/04	\$1,316,937
Loya Ruud & Romo	Delta Conveyance Project Bond Validation-CEQA Litigation	185899	09/21	\$250,000
	MWD Drone and Airspace Issues	193452	08/20	\$50,000
	AFSCME Local 1902 in Grievance No. 1906G020 (CSU Meal Period)	201883	07/12/21	\$30,000
	MWD MOU Negotiations**	201893	10/05/21	\$100,000
	Ethics and EEO Investigation	222534	01/25	\$50,000
	PRA Issues	222539	02/25	\$50,000 \$110,000
	Sanchez Job Audit Appeal	222551	03/25	\$50,000
	Gutierrez Job Audit Appeal	222552	03/25	\$50,000
	RFIs by AFSCME Local 1902	222554	03/25	\$20,000
	EEO Investigation	226516	05/25	\$25,000

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BDG Law Group, APLC	Gutierrez v. MWD	216054	03/24	\$250,000
APLO	Hagekhalil Defense in Kasaine Litigation	222547	03/25	\$250,000
Best, Best & Krieger	Bay-Delta Conservation Plan/Delta Conveyance Project (with SWCs)	170697	08/17	\$500,000
	Environmental Compliance Issues	185888	05/20	\$100,000
	Grant Compliance Issues	211921	05/23	\$250,000
	Pure Water Southern California	207966	11/22	\$250,000
	Progressive Design Build	216053	04/24	\$250,000
	Pure Water – SB 149 CEQA Record Preparation	222526	02/25	\$150,000
	Rates and Taxes Advice	226517	05/25	\$50,000
	PWSC Construction Contracting Issues	<u>226524</u>	<u>07/25</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
Blooston, Mordkofsky, Dickens, Duffy & Prendergast, LLP	FCC and Communications Matters	110227	11/10	\$100,000
Brown White & Osborn	Employment Matter	222523	10/24	\$50,000
LLP	Employment Matter	222525	11/24	\$50,000
Buchalter, a Professional Corp.	Union Pacific Industry Track Agreement	193464	12/07/20	\$50,000
Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP	Real Property – General	180192	01/19	\$100,000
Solelisell, LLF	Labor and Employment Matters	180207	04/19	\$75,000
	General Real Estate Matters	180209	08/19	\$200,000
	Rancho Cucamonga Condemnation Actions (Grade Separation Project)	207970	05/22	\$100,000
	Foothill Pump Station Condemnation	226522	06/25	\$100,000
Law Office of Alexis S.M. Chiu*	Bond Counsel	<del>200468</del>	07/21	N/A

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	Bond Counsel	220409	07/24	N/A
Castañeda + Heidelman LLP	Employment Matter	216055	04/24	\$100,000
neideillian LLP	Employment Matter	222530	11/24	\$100,000
Cislo & Thomas LLP	Intellectual Property	170703	08/17	\$100,000
Curls Bartling P.C.*	Bond Counsel	<del>200470</del>	07/21	N/A
Davis Wright Tremaine, LLP	Advice and Representation re Potential Litigation	220424	10/24	\$250,000
	Kasaine v. MWD	222543	03/25	\$250,000
	Advice and Representation re Employment -Related Claims	<u>226526</u>	<u>08/25</u>	\$200,000
Duane Morris LLP	SWRCB Curtailment Process	138005	09/14	\$615,422
Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer & Pembroke	Power Issues	6255	09/95	\$3,175,000
Erin Joyce Law, PC	Ethics Advice	216058	05/24	\$100,000
Glaser Weil Fink Howard Jordan & Shapiro	Employment Matter	220395	7/24	\$160,000
Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland LLP	SDCWA v. MWD	207958	10/22	\$100,000
& Nichiana EEF	Colorado River Matters	207965	11/22	\$100,000
Hackler Flynn & Associates	Government Code Claim Advice	216059	5/24	\$200,000 \$250,000
Haden Law Office	Real Property Matters re Agricultural Land	180194	01/19	\$50,000
Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen, LLP	Workers' Compensation	211926	06/23	\$500,000
Hanson Bridgett LLP	Finance Advice	158024	12/16	\$100,000
	Deferred Compensation/HR	170706	10/17	\$600,000
	Tax Issues	180200	04/19	\$50,000

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	Alternative Project Delivery (ADP)	207961	10/22	\$250,000
	Ad Valorem Property Taxes	216042	11/23	\$100,000
Hausman & Sosa, LLP	Jones v. MWD	216056	05/24	\$200,000
	Villavicencio v. MWD	220426	10/24	\$100,000
	Jensen Operator Standby Removal	222522	10/24	\$100,000
	Villa NOIS Appeal	222553	03/25	\$50,000
	Alberto NOID Appeal	226523	06/25	\$100,000
Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP*	Bond Counsel	<del>193469</del>	07/21	N/A
Wood LLP	Bond Counsel	220405	07/24	N/A
Hemming Morse, LLP	Baker Electric v. MWD	211933	08/23	\$175,000
Horvitz & Levy	SDCWA v. MWD	124100	02/12	\$1,250,000
	General Appellate Advice	146616	12/15	\$200,000
	Colorado River	203464	04/22	\$100,000
	Delta Conveyance Bond Validation Appeal	216047	03/24	\$25,000
	PFAS Multi-District Litigation – Appeal	216050	03/24	\$200,000
Innovative Legal Services, P.C.	Employment Matter	211915	01/19/23	\$175,000
Internet Law Center	Cybersecurity and Privacy Advice and Representation	200478	04/13/21	\$100,000
	Systems Integrated, LLC v. MWD	201875	05/17/21	\$500,000
	General Advice and Counsel	222544	02/25	\$25,000
Amira Jackmon, Attorney at Law*	Bond Counsel	200464	07/21	N/A
Jackson Lewis P.C.	Employment: Department of Labor Office of Contract Compliance	137992	02/14	\$45,000

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Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corp*	Bond Counsel	200465	07/21	N/A
Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP	Bond Counsel	220412	07/24	N/A
Kronenberger Rosenfeld, LLP	Systems Integrated, LLC v. MWD	211920	04/23	\$500,000
Kutak Rock LLP	Delta Islands Land Management	207959	10/22	\$160,000
Lesnick Prince & Pappas LLP	Kidde-Fenwal Bankruptcy	216061	06/24	\$50,000
Liebert Cassidy Whitmore	Labor and Employment	158032	02/17	\$244,741
wmumore	FLSA Audit	180199	02/19	\$50,000
	EEO Advice	216041	12/23	\$450,000
Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP	PFAS Multi-District Litigation	216048	03/24	\$200,000
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips	SDCWA v. MWD rate litigation	146627	06/16	\$4,400,000
	Raftelis-Subcontractor of Manatt, Agr. #146627: Per 5/2/22 Engagement Letter between Manatt and Raftelis, MWD paid Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.	Invoice No. 23949		\$56,376.64 for expert services & reimbursable expenses in SDCWA v. MWD
Marten Law LLP	PFAS Multi-District Litigation	216034	09/23	\$550,000
	PFAS-Related Issues (PWSC)	220414	08/24	\$100,000
	Perris Valley Pipeline Project	220415	07/24	\$100,000
	PFAS-Related Issues (General)	220413	10/24	\$50,000
Meyers Nave Riback Silver & Wilson	Pure Water Southern California	207967	11/22	\$100,000
Miller Barondess, LLP	SDCWA v. MWD	138006	12/14	\$600,000

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Morgan, Lewis & Bockius	SDCWA v. MWD	110226	07/10	\$8,750,000
BOCKIUS	Project Labor Agreements	200476	04/21	\$100,000
Musick, Peeler & Garrett LLP	Colorado River Aqueduct Electric Cables Repair/Contractor Claims	193461	11/20	\$3,250,000
	Arvin-Edison v. Dow Chemical	203452	01/22	\$150,000
	Semitropic TCP Litigation	207954	09/22	\$75,000
	Employment Matter	220417	08/24	\$100,000
Nixon Peabody LLP*	Bond Counsel [re-opened]	<del>193473</del>	07/21	N/A
	Special Finance Project	207960	10/22	\$50,000
	Bond Counsel	220404	07/24	N/A
Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP*	Bond Counsel	200466	07/21	N/A
US LLP	Bond Counsel	220407	7/24	N/A
	Pure Water Special Project Finance	226513	05/25	\$200,000
Olson Remcho LLP	Government Law	131968	07/14	\$600,000
	Advice/Assistance re Proposition 26/Election Issues	211922	05/23	\$100,000
Robert P. Ottilie	Employment Matter	226514	05/25	\$50,000
Pearlman, Brown & Wax, L.L.P.	Workers' Compensation	216037	10/23	\$100,000
Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch, LLP	CityWatch Los Angeles Public Records Act Request	216046	02/24	\$75,000
LLF	Public Records Act Requests	220399	7/24	\$75,000
Redwood Public Law, LLP	PRA and Conflicts Issues	222540	02/25	\$150,000
Renne Public Law Group, LLP	ACE v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1611-M)	207962	10/22	\$50,000
	Employee Relations and Personnel Matters	216045	01/24	\$50,000

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	ACE v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA CE 1729 M)	220421	09/24	\$70,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1733-M)	220422	09/24	\$35,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1738-M)	220425	10/24	\$35,000
	SAMWD v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1745-M)	220527	11/24	\$70,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1746-M)	222528	11/24	\$35,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1774-M)	226515	05/25	\$35,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1772-M)	<u>226518</u>	<u>05/25</u>	\$35,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1775-M)	226519	05/25	\$35,000
	AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1776-M)	226520	05/25	\$35,000
Melanie Ross Law P.C.	Tiegs v. MWD	222535	01/25	\$25,000
Ryan & Associates	Leasing Issues	43714	06/01	\$200,000
	Oswalt v. MWD	211925	05/23	\$250,000
	Unlawful Encroachment on Metropolitan Rights-of-Way	216065	06/24	\$100,000
Seyfarth Shaw LLP	Phan v. MWD	201897	11/04/21	\$350,000 \$700,000
	Claim (Contract #203436)	203436	11/15/21	\$550,000
	Claim (Contract #203454)	203454	01/22	\$210,000
	Reese v. MWD	207952	11/22	\$900,000
	General Labor/Employment Advice	211917	3/23	\$250,000
	Civil Rights Department Complaint	211931	07/23	\$100,000

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	Crawford v. MWD	216035	09/23	\$900,000
	Tiegs v. MWD	216043	12/23	\$825,000
	Zarate v. MWD	216044	01/24	\$500,000 \$750,000
Shaw Law Group, PC	Administrative Investigation	222531	12/24	\$30,000
Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP	Lorentzen v. MWD	216036	09/23	\$600,000
	Iverson v. MWD	222532	12/24	\$200,000
Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth*	Bond Counsel	200471	07/21	N/A
	Bond Counsel	220408	7/24	N/A
Theodora Oringher PC	Construction Contracts - General Conditions Update	185896	07/20	\$100,000
	Santa Monica Feeder Incident	<u>226526</u>	08/25	<u>\$150,000</u>
Thompson Coburn LLP	NERC Energy Reliability Standards	193451	08/20	\$600,000
Van Ness Feldman, LLP	General Litigation	170704	07/18	\$50,000
	Colorado River MSHCP	180191	01/19	\$50,000
	Bay-Delta and State Water Project Environmental Compliance	193457	10/15/20	\$50,000
	Colorado River Issues	211924	05/23	\$250,000
	Cajalco Road Widening Project	226509	04/25	\$50,000

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