



## Christopher Molina, Associate

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### Areas of Practice

Tax Law  
Real Estate & Land Use  
Business Entities & Transactions  
Commercial & Complex Litigation

**Bar Admissions** - Nevada, California

### Education

- J.D., University of California, Hastings College of the Law, Tax Concentration, June 2014  
(*Constitutional Law Quarterly*, Executive Internal Editor; Best Brief Award, Moot Court, 2012)
- B. A. in English, University of California, Irvine, 2009

Chris Molina focuses on real estate transactions, land use matters and complex real estate litigation. Mr. Molina represents business clients in Nevada and California in real estate acquisitions, dispositions, and commercial leases, as well as general corporate transactions. He advises clients in regulated industries such as marijuana and gaming in connection with land use entitlements and zoning issues for projects across Southern Nevada. He is skilled at handling high stakes, complex real estate litigation matters including quiet title actions, commercial lease disputes, and eminent domain and inverse condemnation cases.

Mr. Molina's background also includes representation of individual and corporate clients with complex tax matters including civil tax controversies and income tax planning, as well as advising tax exempt organizations. He also assists clients with intellectual property matters involving trademark registration and protection, and has advised clients with all aspects of the business life cycle from entity formation to dissolution. Before joining McDonald Carano, Mr. Molina began his law career at one of the oldest and most respected firms in Central California.

### Awards and Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America* – Commercial Litigation (2022-2024), Real Estate Law (2024), Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) (2024)
- *Vegas Inc* – “Top Lawyers” in Real Estate (2023)
- *Mountain States Super Lawyers Magazine* – Rising Star (2023)
- Developing Leaders Institute, Class of 2023 Graduate, Class President, NAIOP Southern Nevada (Commercial Real Estate Development Association)

### Presentations

- “Due Diligence 101: Do You Know What’s Under the Ground?”, NAIOP, Nov.18, 2022

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