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OVERVIEW

Tony Andrade's practice encompasses real estate and commercial matters in both the litigation and transactional arenas. Tony regularly counsels clients on real estate issues involving contract formation and negotiation, real property and land use analysis, boundary and easement disputes, condemnation, construction defect claims, residential and commercial leasing, HOA and condominium governance, and creditor's rights.

Prior to joining Modrall Sperling, Tony advised Silicon Valley real estate startups on growth strategy, regulatory compliance, and the legality of proposed business structures in target U.S. markets, while also preparing these companies for investment funding and corporate acquisition.

In his commercial practice, Tony has litigated cases in the areas of contract disputes, negligence, patent infringement, and federal qui tam defense.

Beyond his law practice, Tony competes across the Southwest in road and mountain bike races, serves on State Bar and school boards of directors, and enjoys getting outside with family in the mountains of Santa Fe and his native Los Alamos.

Education

University of New Mexico School of Law, J.D., 2006; Dean's List; Natural Resources Journal, Lead Articles Editor

University of Oxford Faculty of Law, Summer 2004; International Law Intensive Study Abroad, Oxford, England

Wake Forest University, B.A. History, minor German, 2002; NCAA Division I Soccer, Track & Field; Deans List; Delta Phi Alpha National German Honor Society; Atlantic Coast Conference Academic Honor Roll

Bar Admissions

New Mexico

California

U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

EXPERIENCE

- Counseled Los-Angeles-based real estate startup, Open Listings, on best business practices and legality of proposed business structure in anticipated markets. Co-designed innovative real estate purchase platform resulting in corporate acquisition by



Opendoor Technologies (NASDAQ: OPEN).

- Counseled Silicon Valley real estate startup, Torii, on corporate formation, growth strategy, and legality of proposed real estate business structure in various California markets. Secured \$3.2mm seed round.
- Successfully moved for sustained entry of default and stricken answer despite law and public policy favoring trial on the merits in construction creditor defense.
- Negotiated settlement in federal asset forfeiture matter, successfully advocating for client's retention of real property.
- Successfully moved for summary judgment in construction defect action.

ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association
- State Bar of New Mexico
- State Bar of California

RELATED PRACTICES

Litigation

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Appellate

Commercial

Torts / Personal Injury

Real Estate