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Jillian Friess Leivas focuses her practice on eminent domain laws and regulations. Having served as a summer associate at Nossaman, she has experience preparing pleadings and motions and has also assisted with client meetings and preparing depositions for trial. In addition, Jillian advises clients on environmental and land use matters involving the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and federal appraisal requirements.

While in law school, Jillian served as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Chapman Law Review* and was an active member of Chapman's Alternative Dispute Resolution, Mock Trial and Moot Court Competition teams.

Jillian regularly comments on news involving eminent domain issues on Nossaman's *California Eminent Domain Report* blog.

## INSIGHTS

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### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Speaker, "Crafting Appraisals for Courtroom Admissibility," Southern California Chapter of the Appraisal Institute's 54th Annual Litigation Seminar, 11.04.2021

### PUBLICATIONS

Co-Author, "2021 Eminent Domain Case Law Year in Review," *Nossaman Report*, 01.11.2022

Author, "Balancing the Grantor and Grantee's Rights to Use an Easement," *ABA Real Property Section eReport*, 11.30.2021

Co-Author, "Right-of-Way Acquisition Process," *LexisNexis, A Practical Guidance® Practice Note*, 10.01.2021

Co-Author, "Making the Case," *Valuation Magazine*, 09.01.2021

## PRACTICES

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Eminent Domain & Valuation  
Project & Right-of-Way Acquisitions  
Litigation

## EDUCATION

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Chapman University School of Law, J.D., 2020, *magna cum laude*; Editor-in-Chief, *Chapman Law Review*  
University of California, Berkeley, B.A., 2017

## ADMISSIONS

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