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Sherry Jackman is an accomplished environmental litigator and regulatory compliance counselor who guides businesses through high-stakes litigation, government enforcement actions, consumer claims, and complex environmental challenges. Known for her strategic judgment, creative problem-solving, and command of intricate legal and regulatory frameworks, Sherry delivers practical, efficient solutions that protect her clients' interests and advance their business objectives.

Sherry's professional expertise includes the following areas:

- **Environmental Counseling:** Counseling clients regarding federal and state environmental statutes and regulations, including CERCLA, RCRA, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, CEQA, Proposition 65, the California Hazardous Waste Control Law, and the Endangered Species Act.
- **Environmental Litigation:** Representing clients in state and federal litigation and administrative enforcement proceedings.
- **Land Use Matters:** Counseling clients regarding land use entitlements, CEQA, and permitting.
- **Environmental Insurance Coverage:** Counseling clients regarding insurance coverage issues relating to environmental matters.
- **Environmental Permitting:** Advising and representing clients in matters involving environmental permits and regulatory programs, including the Clean Water Act and California's Industrial General Permit; RCRA; Hazardous Materials Business Plans; wastewater, air, and water well requirements; and related compliance obligations.
- **Consumer Products:** Counseling clients regarding consumer products, advertising, product labeling, and Extended Producer Responsibility ("EPR") programs.
- **Consumer Claims:** Defending and advising manufacturers, distributors, producers, and packagers in matters involving advertising, labeling, pricing and discounting practices, subscription programs, product testing, and chemical and ingredient

Services

- Environment
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Air Quality
- Climate Change & Sustainability
- Environmental Litigation
- Litigation
- Regulatory & Compliance Counseling
- Superfund
- California's Proposition 65
- Consumer Claim Defense
- Health & Beauty
- Apparel & Accessories
- Branded Consumer Products
- Crisis Management
- Food & Beverage

content. Her work includes litigation defense, government investigations and enforcement actions, and risk mitigation under federal and state laws, including California's Consumer Legal Remedies Act, Unfair Competition Law, False Advertising Law, and Automatic Renewal Law.

- **Corporate History:** Conducting complex corporate-successor and historical ownership analyses and assessing the legal significance of mergers, acquisitions, stock purchases, and asset sales, particularly in connection with environmental liabilities.
- **Regulatory Closure and "No Further Action" Determinations:** Helping clients obtain regulatory closure for impacted sites overseen by the EPA, DTSC, Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and CUPAs.
- **Brownfields Development and Contaminated Property:** Assisting clients with the acquisition, disposition, investigation, remediation, and development of contaminated real estate.
- **Mergers and Acquisitions:** Conducting environmental due diligence and developing strategies for mergers, acquisitions, and asset purchases, including structuring transactions, assessing and allocating environmental risk, transferring and obtaining permits, and addressing regulatory compliance.
- **Food Law:** Representing food manufacturers, distributors, packagers, ranchers, farmers, and growers in matters related to consumer claims, advertising, product labeling, product testing, chemical regulation, litigation, marketing strategies, and general compliance with food industry standards.

Environmental law and litigation have been a defining focus of Sherry's practice. Her practice also includes defending businesses against consumer claims and government enforcement actions involving advertising, labeling, pricing, subscription programs, product testing, chemical and ingredient content, and other regulatory compliance matters. She has earned significant recognition for her work, including selection to the *Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Stars* Up-and-Coming 50 Women list and inclusion in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*.

Sherry has broad experience representing clients as both plaintiffs and defendants throughout all stages of litigation. Over the course of her career, she has handled and helped resolve more than 100 matters, including through mediation, settlement, litigation, and other negotiated outcomes. She has also prepared multiple matters for trial and works closely with businesses to navigate complex compliance obligations, respond to regulatory scrutiny, and mitigate legal and operational risk.

Sherry's combined J.D. and M.B.A. training gives her a sophisticated understanding of the intersection between law and business. She approaches legal matters with close attention to their financial and operational consequences, helping clients manage risk while controlling costs and preserving business objectives. Her background in finance, managerial modeling, investment strategy, and damages assessment further informs her pragmatic and commercially focused approach.

Sherry has also devoted significant time to professional and community leadership. From 2018 to 2026, she served on the Board of Directors of the Coalition for Clean Air, a nonprofit organization founded in 1971, including terms as Chair and Vice Chair. She has also participated in the Executive Committee of the Environment Section of the Los

Angeles County Bar Association and regularly lectures and speaks on environmental and legal issues.

Sherry has guest lectured for the “Environmental Law and Policy” course at the UCLA School of Law and formerly co-lectured at the USC Gould School of Law for its “Deposition Strategies and Techniques” course. She is a frequent speaker on topics including CERCLA, RCRA, vapor intrusion, Proposition 65, ESG, consumer claims, hazardous waste, and real estate and environmental due diligence.

Sherry began her legal career practicing at a large international law firm. Before becoming a lawyer, she competed extensively in ballroom, Latin, and swing dance, including at the International Grand Ball, City Lights Ball, and Emerald Ball.

Professional Affiliations

- Former Executive Committee Member, Environmental Law Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association (LACBA)
- Member, California Lawyers Association (CLA), Environmental Law Section

Community and Charitable Organizations

- Chair, Board of Directors, [Coalition for Clean Air](#)

Awards

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Environmental Litigation, 2026, 2027
- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America, 2021 – 2025
- *Southern California Super Lawyers*, 2026
- Recognized in *Los Angeles Times Studios* Beauty & Fashion Visionaries list, 2025
- Nominee for *L.A. Times B2B Publishing's* Inspirational Women Leadership Awards, 2024
- *Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Stars* – Environmental Litigation – 2017-2023
 - Selected in both *Up-and-Coming 50: Women* and *Up-and-Coming 100* lists, 2023

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
- United States District Court for the Northern, Central, Eastern and Southern Districts of California

Education

- University of California, Los Angeles School of Law (J.D., 2010)
 - Moot Court Honors Program
- UCLA Anderson School of Management (M.B.A., 2010)

- Anderson Merit Fellowship
 - University of California, Davis (B.S., 2005)
 - Agricultural and Resource Economics/Managerial Economics
 - Regents Scholarship; Department Citation; High Honors
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Representative Matters

- Representing a Fortune 500 company in CERCLA / HSAA cost recovery matters
- Representing a variety of companies with respect to site investigation and remediation of contamination (soil, groundwater, indoor air, etc.)
- Providing compliance counseling regarding regulation of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes under state and federal laws and regulations
- Conducting environmental due diligence in connection with the purchase and sale of contaminated real estate and providing advice regarding nature and extent of potential liabilities
- Preparing complex damage models, calculations, and litigation simulations to inform settlement strategy
- Working closely with retained experts and consultants with respect to site investigation and remediation efforts
- Representing international oil company in federal multi-party litigation involving claims of leaking pipelines
- Representing clients at a number of federal Superfund Sites, including the San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, Omega Superfund Site, and Casmalia Resources Superfund Site
- Representing property owner in opposition to proposed redevelopment project undergoing environmental review under CEQA
- Representing potentially responsible parties with respect to all aspects of site cleanups, site closures, facility inspections, and enforcement actions
- Representing various clients with respect to underground storage tank issues and claims
- Represented several related companies in a 2,000+ plaintiff toxic tort litigation involving alleged exposure to hazardous substances in air, surface water, and groundwater
- Represented semiconductor manufacturer and related entity in two litigation matters involving allegations of in utero exposure to clean room chemicals
- Represented a Fortune 500 company in contract dispute relating to responsibility for environmental cleanup
- Provided hazardous waste compliance advice to chemical manufacturer with multi-state operations
- Represented a Fortune 500 company in a Clean Water Act / SPCC enforcement matter
- Represented manufacturing facility in Clean Water Act citizen stormwater lawsuit
- Defended international manufacturer in litigation involving Proposition 65, CLRA, and UCL claims in California State Court, resulting in dismissal of case without leave to amend
- Represented private individual in enforcement action with respect to land use and entitlement issues

- Represented utility company in matter involving a cleanup and abatement order issued by water board
 - Represented real estate developer in efforts to secure environmental permits
 - Conducted land use due diligence in connection with acquisition of large portfolio of U.S. properties
 - Represented schools, churches and a museum/library pro bono in a number of land use / entitlement matters
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Events

August 31, 2026

2026 Prop. 65 Conference

March 24, 2026

CLE Last Dash | The EPR Countdown: Deadlines, Data, and Dollars Under California's SB 54 and Other State Programs

March 12, 2026

Counselwell | LA Mixer: International Women's Day Edition

January 27, 2026

Focus on California: Understanding the Complexities of California's SB 54 EPR Packaging Law

June 12, 2025

2025 In-House Connect Networking Mixer

March 26, 2025

CLE Last Dash | Beyond Chevron: Courts vs. Agencies in a New Era

December 17, 2024

Environmental Law Essentials for In-House Counsel: Successfully Navigating Notices of Violation

December 4, 2024

Beyond Chevron: Courts vs. Agencies in a New Era

September 23, 2024

2024 Prop. 65 Conference

April 19, 2024

PFAS Liability at Superfund Sites | LACBA 2024 Environmental Section Spring Symposium

January 25, 2024

CLE Last Dash | Environmental NOVs: Decode, Respond, and Prevail

September 18, 2023

2023 Prop. 65 Conference

August 30, 2023

Greenwashing and its Dirty Consequences

January 25, 2023

Transactional Real Estate and Environmental Due Diligence

January 24, 2023

Greenwashing and its Dirty Consequences

Publications

September 3, 2026

Federal District Court Upholds Oregon's Packaging EPR Law

August 12, 2026

FDA Proposes to Modify Self-Certification Rules for "Safe" Food Ingredients

August 7, 2026

California Considering Amendments to Proposition 65 Regulations

July 24, 2026

A Clean Break: Court Halts Prop. 65 DEA Warnings for Cosmetics and Personal Care Products

July 17, 2026

Court Blocks California from Enforcing Upcoming Recyclability Labeling Law, SB 343

June 30, 2026

Use By: Today—California's New Food Date Labeling Requirements Take Effect

June 23, 2026

SB 54 Under Fire: States and Industry Challenge California's Packaging EPR Law

June 2, 2026

Food Producers and Retailers Hit With Wave of Prop. 65 Notices Targeting Aflatoxins

June 1, 2026

Deadline for Textile Producers to Join Landbell USA Is Fast Approaching

May 22, 2026

Pretty Products, Ugly Lawsuits: Legal Risks Facing Beauty Brands

Retail TouchPoints

May 1, 2026

California Publishes Long-Awaited Regulations for SB 54

March 20, 2026

SB 54 Regulations Approaching the Finish Line, Reporting Deadline on the Horizon

March 12, 2026

California's Textile EPR Law Approaches Its First Compliance Deadline

March 3, 2026

Proposition 65 Notice Defects: Perfection Not Required

February 20, 2026

Looking Forward: Circular Action Alliance's Plans for California in 2026