

## **Real Estate**

Bird Marella represents owners, developers, landlords, and lessees in sophisticated and contested trial property claims involving ownership, contracts, agreements, and fraud.

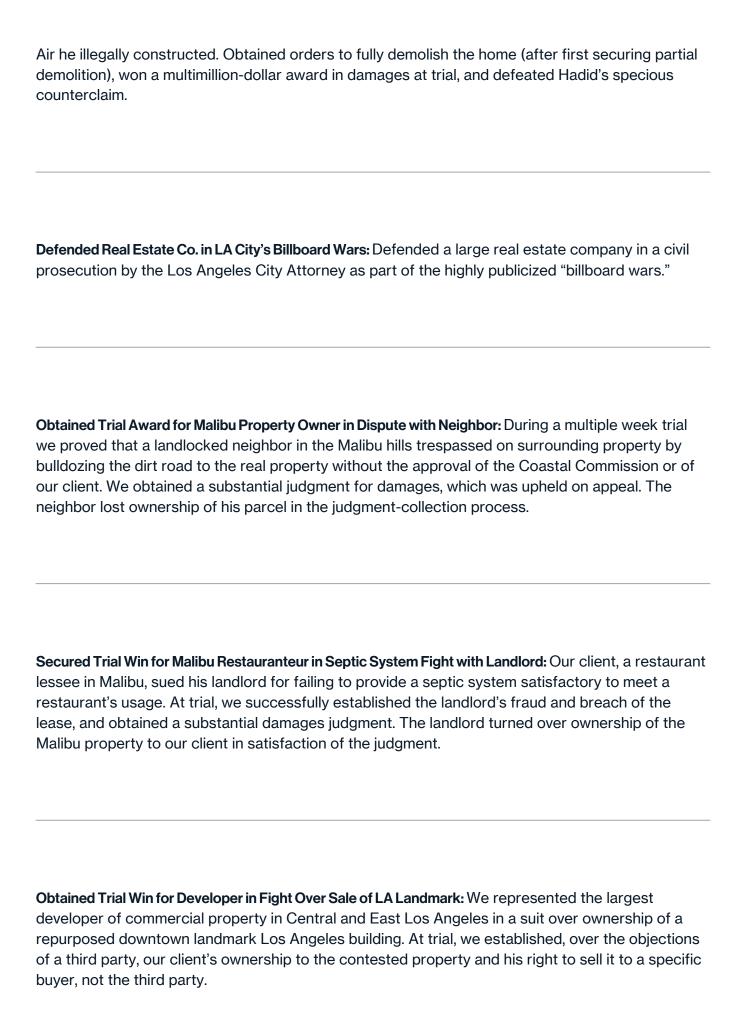
## **Overview**

Our counsel has extended across the diverse property map of Los Angeles, and includes matters involving the California Coastal Commission, the battle on billboards, and redevelopment in downtown Los Angeles. Bird Marella attorneys have proven particularly effective in prevailing in real estate commercial torts trials. We have secured several directed defense verdicts for developers facing high damage claims connected to allegations of breach of contract and fraudulent practices. Real estate litigation frequently requires untangling intricate accounting practices and fact patterns. There also may be a need to interact with various local and state regulatory authorities. We are known within California courts and administrative agencies as credible, respected and persuasive advocates. While we have achieved many successful resolutions in arbitration forums, Bird Marella assumes a trial-ready stance on real estate matters to prepare clients for any court challenges.

Beyond our commercial torts representation, we also have succeeded in both the pursuit and defense of claims connected to significant residential and landlord disputes, as detailed in our representative matters.

## **Experience**

**Secured Multimillion-Dollar Verdict Against Embattled Developer Mohamed Hadid:** Prevailed in highly-publicized trial against real estate developer Mohamed Hadid regarding the hillside mansion in Bel



Prevailed at Arbitration and on Appeal for Retail Lessee in Rent Dispute: In representing a major retail lessee in a rent dispute with its landlord, we obtained a favorable award in mandatory arbitration. The landlord petitioned to vacate the arbitration award which the trial court granted. We appear the matter and the appellate court confirmed the arbitration award and granted our client costs well.	n. Iled
Obtained Directed Verdict and Fees in Real Estate Fraud Trial: We conducted a real estate fraud jur trial in Sacramento County Superior Court which resulted in a directed verdict for the client as a \$250,000 award of attorneys' fees.	-