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## Timothy Hutter

Latter's niche in San Diego's legal community has made him a respected voice in the real estate industry.

"I'm coming to my housing advocacy role as a litigator," he said. "It's a cool intersection for me. I work with developers who, I think, are doing the right thing serving our population."

Hutter is a partner in the downtown San Diego office of Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP, practicing in the firm's litigation and land use groups with a focus on business and real estate disputes. He's been with the firm since 2009 but became a partner July 1; the new designation means more business development and client relationship responsibilities.

He often represents residential, commercial, and mixed-use developers in cases that involve density, environmental review, and affordable housing. He even represented the Building Industry Association of San Diego in its lawsuit challenging the city of Encinitas' density bonus policies, which resulted in policy rescissions and a monetary settlement.

This professional vantage has made him a sought-after arbiter on San Diego real estate issues. He's vice chair of the



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city of San Diego's Historical Resources Board, which is charged with designating historical sites and districts and reviewing construction projects that could affect historical properties. He also chairs the Build San Diego PAC, which supports pro-development candidates and initiatives.

Hutter recuses himself on client matters, but he also prides himself on giving each development issue a fair analysis.

"It's my goal as an advocate and as a lawyer to help make sure the city and the region continue to grow," Hutter said. "I think about what the city of San Diego is going to be like for our kids. It's a tragedy to me every time I learn about someone who has to leave San Diego because they can't afford it."

- Jennifer McEntee