



Recent Developments, Defenses and Strategies in Brown Act Litigation

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This presentation will review defenses and strategies that city attorneys should consider when evaluating a Brown Act lawsuit. Prevention is always the best solution when it comes to the Brown Act, but there are times when, despite our best efforts, litigation ensues. While the Brown Act's application is broad and its exceptions are narrow, there are a number of effective defenses and strategies upon which cities can rely when faced with a Brown Act claim. The recent cases that will be discussed provide valuable guidance on these defenses and strategies.

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