

Talin V. Yacoubian

Talin Yacoubian is a founding partner of Yacoubian & Powell LLP, a boutique law firm she co-established in 2010. With over three decades of legal experience, she has built a diverse practice representing clients in environmental law, complex litigation, real estate, and international business matters.

Talin began her legal career as a judicial extern to U.S. District Court Judge Dickran Tevrizian and later joined the nationally recognized Christensen firm, where she practiced in areas ranging from environmental and antitrust law to civil rights and intellectual property. She went on to focus more deeply on environmental litigation, representing one of California's largest solid waste companies and serving as trial counsel in a major toxic tort case. Notably, she played a central role in the Iron Mountain Mine Superfund settlement—one of the largest in U.S. history—on behalf of the State of California.

In 2002, Talin opened her own firm, Yacoubian Law Offices, where she represented clients in litigation and transactional matters and served as General Counsel to a multinational group in the renewable energy and conservation space. Her work regularly integrates legal, strategic, and business perspectives.

Talin earned her undergraduate degree in Economics from Pomona College and her J.D. from the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. She also teaches Legal Writing and Advocacy at USC Gould School of Law.

A committed civic leader, Talin has served on numerous nonprofit and public boards. She was Co-Chair of the Armenian Genocide Centennial Commemorative Committee in 2015, organizing a peaceful march of over 160,000 participants in Los Angeles. She has also served on the Pacific Clinics Board, the Civil Service Commission for the City of Glendale, and currently serves as Co-Chair of the Armenian Assembly of America, Co-Treasurer of the Armenian American Museum, and a Board Member of Armenia Fund. From 2015 to 2020, she chaired the Western District of the Armenian General Benevolent Union (AGBU).

In 2019, Talin was honored with the California State Senate Women in Business Award. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Varuj Babikian, and is the proud mother of two law students, Alec and Aleen.