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AIRBNB... CAREFUL: THE PITFALLS OF SHORT TERM RENTALS FOR GUESTS, HOSTS, AND COMMUNITIES

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12:00 Noon

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About the Program

Want to rent a cozy cabin for the weekend? Host a party at beautiful beach house? Buy a bungalow and turn it into an adorable vacation rental? Have a client that was injured at an Airbnb? Represent a group of neighbors affected by VRBOs near them? Short term rental use is on the rise and guests, hosts, and neighbors should all understand the laws and local regulations regarding them. Jurisdictions have vastly varying laws about vacation rentals and these codes may significantly affect the rights, risks, and liability of everyone in the vacation rental market. So while it sounds great to rent or host that cozy cabin, if you or your client do not know the law then you may get more than just a weekend away. Learn the law so you can Airbnb...careful!

About the Speaker

Zayante (Zoey) P. Merrill graduated from UC Santa Barbara with a B.A. in Law & Society and B.S. in Biopsychology in 2000. In 2003, she got a M.S. in Forensic Science from George Washington University. In 2009, she received her J.D. from Humphreys University, Drivon School of Law, where she graduated as Valedictorian. From 2009-2013, Ms. Merrill was in private practice. Ms. Merrill then joined the San Joaquin County Office of the County Counsel, where she is currently a Deputy County Counsel. Ms. Merrill served on the San Joaquin County Bar Association's Board of Governors and as chair of the MCLE Committee.