

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business
- Finance and Workouts
- Leasing
- Real Estate

EDUCATION

- Loyola Law School (J.D. Cum Laude, 1999)
 - Order of the Coif
 - Note and Comment Editor, International and Comparative Law Journal
- University of California, Santa Barbara (B.A. Business Economics, 1989)
 - Economics Honors Society

Ms. Sesto's practice encompasses transactional matters involving real estate, lending, and general business. She represents borrowers and lenders in all facets of secured lending including construction, agricultural, winery loans, syndicated loans, and IRB letters of credit; borrowers and lenders in restructurings and workouts of troubled loans; investors, private companies and institutional investors and lenders in real estate acquisitions and dispositions and leasing; and corporate clients with respect to formation, general corporate matters, contracts, guarantees, releases and indemnity agreements.

Prior to joining Lubin Olson, Ms. Sesto was a shareholder in the real estate practice group at Buchalter, PC, a member of the corporate and real estate practice groups at Reed Smith (formerly Crosby, Heafey, Roach & May) and most recently spent some time as an attorney at Kirschenbaum Law working with her former partner from Buchalter. Ms. Sesto served as a judicial extern for the Honorable John G. Davies, Judge.

In addition to Melinda's law firm experience, her background includes creating, developing and promoting large-scale music and microbrewery festivals and analyzing and negotiating complex insurance claims. She has lectured on, and written about, title insurance coverage, trusts as borrowers/guarantors, and creditors' rights issues.



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