



Maribel Lopez

Associate

(415) 848-7247 • mlopez@publiclawgroup.com

Practice Areas

- Government
- Litigation
- Labor and Employment Law

Admissions and Courts

- California
- Federal District Court for the Northern District of California
- Federal District Court for the Eastern District of California

Education

- University of San Francisco School of Law, *cum laude*, J.D.
- University of California, Davis, B.A.

Experience

Maribel Lopez is an associate in the firm's Government and Litigation practice groups. She focuses on labor and employment law and general government litigation, representing cities, counties and public agencies. Maribel has experience with a variety of employment-related claims, including wrongful termination, harassment, discrimination, retaliation, failure to accommodate, administrative claims, workplace violence restraining orders and complex wage-and-hour class action litigation. In addition, she provides advice and counsel on various labor and employment issues. Maribel also conducts workplace investigations for both public and private employers in response to alleged employee misconduct, such as harassment, discrimination and retaliation.

During law school, Maribel served as judicial extern for the Supreme Court of California Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, a senior staff of USF law review and Co-President of USF La Raza Law Student Association.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- *Suing the Federal Government to Preserve Services for California*, California Lawyers Association, Inaugural Public Law Conference, March 21, 2026.
- *EEOC Civil Rights Enforcement in a Changing Landscape*, California Public Employers Labor Relations Association, Annual Training Conference, November 19, 2025.
- *Career in Public Agency Law*, California Lawyers Association, Public Law 101 Conference, September 25, 2025.
- *Brave New World: Navigating Employment Laws in the Age of Pay Transparency & Employee Cannabis Use*, Hanson Bridgett, Annual Labor & Employment Seminar, 2023.
- *Additional Law Enforcement Reform Amendments, Expansions, and Changes Signed into Law by Governor*, Legal Alert, 2021.
- *A Few 2020 California Supreme Court Cases for Civil Litigators*, Daily Journal, 2020.

PRESS AND AWARDS

- Named “Rising Star” by Northern California Super Lawyers (2026)
- Wiley W. Manuel Award in 2022 and 2023 for completing at least 50 hours of pro bono work each year.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Bar Association of San Francisco, Member
- San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association, Member