Kathleen C. Johnson

Kathy has extensive experience and is especially knowledgeable in private placements of taxable or tax-exempt bonds with banks or other lenders, including energy efficiency upgrades. She has practiced for over 30 years in the areas of corporate, real estate, and financial transactions. She spent 16 years practicing with the large, international law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius.

Kathy represents a number of individuals, companies, and financial institutions, including national banks such as Bank of America, Wells Fargo Bank and Union Bank, as well as various California banks. She has represented banks as trustees in corporate trust matters, including tax-exempt issues, corporate bond issues and workouts of defaulted bond issues for over twenty years. She also represents banks as purchasers and issuers of liquidity and credit enhancement products in tax-exempt finance transactions, such as financing of airports, transit systems, health care institutions, schools, energy conservation, affordable housing, etc. She also regularly represents banks documenting commercial and real estate loans and assisting with workouts of defaults of taxable and tax-exempt financing.

Kathy has been active with several nonprofit organizations such as Women's Economic Ventures and Leadership Santa Barbara County. She is a partner with Social Venture Partners of Santa Barbara, and is on the Board of Directors of Goodwill Southern California.