



Susan R. Rubright Member

Real Estate, Cannabis Industry, Environmental and Land Use

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Susan Rubright is a detail-oriented, dedicated, and thoughtful attorney with a thorough understanding of all aspects of real estate and real estate development. She has the ability to place development and zoning issues into the transactional context, including due diligence, purchase agreements and leases, land use, environmental permitting, and construction costs/timing. She has comprehensive experience with commercial developers and individuals in obtaining development (site plan, subdivision, and zoning variance) approvals. Representative clients include apartment, multifamily, and single-family home builders; national pharmacy stores; hotel developers; solar companies; retail centers; national renal dialysis centers; and other medical providers. Susan also takes pride in solving land use and municipal problems for individuals, small business owners, and non-profit groups.

Susan understands the redevelopment process from multiple angles. She works with redevelopers in pursuing redevelopment designations and related approvals. She has represented planning boards in designating areas “in need of redevelopment” and reviewing the related redevelopment approvals and agreements. She has also sought the removal of properties from inclusion in a redevelopment area.

Susan counsels public and private clients on complex matters such as affordable housing and COAH, rezonings, environmental permitting, the Highlands Act, code compliance, farmland preservation and the Right to Farm, open space acquisition, and the Open Public Records Act (OPRA).

AWARDS

INDUSTRIES

- Real Estate
- Cannabis

EDUCATION

- Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D.
cum laude
- Rutgers University, MCRP
- University of New Hampshire, B.S.

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey



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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Bernards Township Cable Advisory Task Force (2008 – 2010)
- Borough of Peapack & Gladstone Land Use Board (Vice Chair 2018-2019), (Chair 2020-2021)
- Borough of Peapack & Gladstone Master Plan Re-examination Committee, (2013 – 2015)
- Borough of Peapack & Gladstone Environmental Commission (1978 – 1982)
- Cedars at Basking Ridge Condominium Association, Vice President (1993 – 1996)
- Member, Florida Bar Association
- Member, New Jersey State Bar Association
- Metropolitan Builders & Contractors (2008 – present), Member, Board of Directors (2011 – 2016), Associate Vice President (2015 – 2016)
- New Jersey Bar Association, Land Use Law Section (1995 – present)
- New Jersey Builders Association, Legislative Affairs Committee (2010 – 2016)
- New Jersey Planning Officials (2003 – present) Associate Counsel (2009 – 2014) Assistant Counsel (2015 – present)
- Somerset County Bar Association (2013 – present), Co-chair Real Estate Committee (2015 – 2017)
- Somerset County Office on Aging Advisory Council (2008 – 2011)
- Somerset County Federation of Republican Women (2002 – 2021), Vice President (2010 – 2012)
- Staff planner for the Somerset County Planning Board.
- Volunteer, animal rescue groups
- Professional dog trainer

Insights

[Newsletters](#) - April 17, 2025

Litigation Quarterly Advisor - Spring 2025

[B|E in the News](#) - February 15, 2025

Neighbor pushes years-long court battle forward against N.J. family farm

[Blogs](#) - September 13, 2024

Self-Certification Program for Design Professionals Approved in NJ

[Blogs](#) - September 10, 2024

New Jersey Appellate Division Invalidates Ordinance Requiring 55+ Home Ownership

[Blogs](#) - April 17, 2024

Guidance Provided by DCA for Calculating the Electric Vehicle (EVCS) Parking Set-Aside Requirement

[Articles](#) - February 10, 2023

Preserved Farms May Now Hold up to 26 Special Events Per Year

[Articles](#) - February 1, 2023

Rutgers Spearheads New Parking Survey for Residential Development

[B|E in the News](#) - July 12, 2022

(VIDEO) Objector witnesses testify on pedestrian traffic, safety on Cold Brook Road

[Events](#) - April 7, 2022

The Somerset County Bar Association's ("SCBA") Inaugural Land Use Symposium and Basic Course in Land Use Law and Planning w/Susan R. Rubright

Saturday April 9th, 2022 from 7:30am to 2:30pm @ Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg, NJ

[Blogs](#) - September 27, 2021

Amendments to Municipal Land Use Law Incorporates Requirements for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
