



CHAPPELLET

Carissa Chappellet

Owner, Managing Director of Legal Affairs and Corporate Governance

As a trained lawyer, skilled mediator, artist and photographer, Carissa assists in running the day-to-day operations of Chappellet alongside her brothers, Cyril and Dominic, to ensure the success and long-term sustainability of the family-run winery. Carissa's unique background allows her to work closely and effectively with the nine Chappellet family members who own the winery to ensure the seamless transition of Chappellet from the first generation of the family to the second generation and beyond. In consultation with her family, Carissa evaluates and oversees key estate planning and governance issues.

Carissa has also applied her numerous artistic talents to her work on behalf of Chappellet and the wine industry. Her first book, *The Romance of California Vineyards*, a visual tour of the wine country with photographs by Daniel D'Agostini, was published in 1997. Her own photography has been published in *A Vineyard Garden*, *Gardens of the Wine Country*, the *Telluride Daily* and the "Central Coast Wine Classic Catalog." Carissa's other authored works include *The Dragons of Pritchard Hill*, and *Poetic Moon*. Carissa is also well known for her original artwork, which has appeared as part of Chappellet's acclaimed Artist Label Series.

An active member in the wine community, Carissa is on the board of directors for the Central Coast Wine Classic Foundation, and is a member of the American Institute of Wine and Food, the National Association of Corporate Directors, and Women Chefs & Restaurateurs. When not working on behalf of Chappellet, Carissa explores her many areas of interest and expertise, which include being a talented musician, licensed hypnotherapist, certified massage therapist and avid cyclist.