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Name/Title	Law Firm	City	Law School	Years in Practice	Practice Specialty
<b>Lorie E. Almon</b> Co-Managing Partner, New York Office	Seyfarth Shaw	New York	University of Virginia	21	Complex employment litigation
<b>Eric Amdursky</b> Partner, Managing Partner, Silicon Valley Office	O'Melveny	Menlo Park, Calif.	Loyola	20	Employment litigation and counseling
<b>John M. Bagyi</b> Member	Bond	Albany, N.Y.	Albany Law School	19	Employment litigation
<b>Reginald W. Belcher</b> Shareholder	Turner Padget	Columbia, S.C.	University of South Carolina	19	Defends businesses and employers in state and federal courts and before governmental agencies
<b>Sarah E. Bouchard</b> Partner	Morgan Lewis	Philadelphia	Villanova	20	Whistleblower, noncompetition and trade-secret matters across the United States for clients in many sectors, including financial services, technology, healthcare and retail
<b>Tristan Brown</b> Partner	Simpson Thacher	Palo Alto, Calif.	Georgetown	19	Advises private-equity funds and publicly held corporations on executive compensation and employee-benefits issues arising from corporate transactions
<b>Colleen L. Caden</b> Partner	Pryor Cashman	New York	Brooklyn	16	Business immigration for pharmaceutical, media, consumer-products, food-manufacturing and sports clients
<b>Meredith S. Campbell</b> Partner	Shulman Rogers	Potomac, Md.	Harvard	14	Employment law, including equal-employment litigation, wage/hour litigation, the protection of confidential and proprietary business information, executive compensation and enforcement of restrictive covenants
<b>Julie M. Capell</b> Partner	Winston & Strawn	Los Angeles	University of the Pacific	12	Provides strategic guidance to employer clients by crafting policies and procedures that protect employers and minimize the risk of litigation
<b>Terri L. Chase</b> Partner	Jones Day	New York	Harvard	21	Complex employment-litigation matters, including discrimination, harassment and retaliation claims; FLSA and state wage/hour actions; breach of employment contract; and noncompete-agreement claims
<b>Adam S. Forman</b> Principal	Miller Canfield	Detroit	Syracuse University	19	Labor relations
<b>Robert F. Friedman</b> Partner	Littler	Dallas	Southern Methodist University	17	Litigation and administrative matters brought by employees and government agencies
<b>Malcolm A. Heinicke</b> Partner	Munger Tolles	San Francisco	Stanford	18	Employment litigation, employee-mobility matters
<b>Matthew C. Kane</b> Partner	McGuireWoods	Los Angeles	Pepperdine	21	Employment and labor litigation and counseling
<b>Jennifer P. Keller</b> President and COO	Baker Donelson	Johnson City, Tenn.	University of Tennessee	19	Employment-discrimination litigation, litigation-prevention counseling, and management and employee training
<b>Sameer Khedekar</b> Partner	Pearl Law Group	San Francisco	Santa Clara University	12	Immigration
<b>Michael J. Lebowich</b> Partner	Proskauer	New York	Harvard	18	Labor relations, including counseling, collective-bargaining negotiations, contract arbitrations and NLRB proceedings
<b>Penelope M. Lechtenberg</b> Partner-in-Charge, Rockford	Hinshaw	Rockford, Ill.	Illinois Institute of Technology	22	Labor and employment-law matters before state and federal courts and administrative agencies
<b>David N. Levine</b> Principal	Groom Law Group, Chartered	Washington	University of Pennsylvania	18	Employee benefits, executive compensation and retirement planning
<b>Laura L. Lichter</b> Founder and Managing Partner	Lichter Immigration	Denver	University of Colorado	21	Immigration
<b>Fermin H. Llaguno</b> Office Managing Shareholder	Littler	Irvine, Calif.	USC	19	Class- and collective-action avoidance and defense; employment counseling, training and litigation; and wage/hour compliance
<b>Lynden Melmed</b> Partner	Berry Appleman & Leiden	Washington	University of Virginia	17	Brings experience in legislative and executive branch to immigration advice
<b>Cindy Schmitt Minniti</b> Partner	Reed Smith	New York	St. John's University	16	Represents management exclusively in labor and employment law
<b>Robert Newman</b> Partner	Covington & Burling	Washington	New York University	19	Employee benefits and executive compensation
<b>Christy Nguyen</b> Partner	Pearl Law Group	San Francisco	UC Hastings	15	Immigration
<b>Kristen A. Page</b> Partner	Shook	Kansas City	University of Missouri at Kansas City	14	Represents corporate employers in federal and state court in business and employment matters
<b>Jessica R. Perry</b> Partner	Orrick	Menlo Park, Calif.	Santa Clara University	15	Defends class and collective actions involving overtime, minimum wage, vacation and other benefits
<b>John C. Romeo</b> Director	Gibbons	Philadelphia	Western New England	20	Employment litigation, class action
<b>Seth J. Safra</b> Partner	Covington & Burling	Washington	Duke	14	Employee benefits and executive compensation, including the design, implementation and administration of retirement plans
<b>David E. Schwartz</b> Partner	Skadden	New York	Cornell	21	Advises clients on full range of employment-related issues, including litigation and arbitration
<b>Jason C. Schwartz</b> Partner	Gibson Dunn	Washington	Georgetown	17	Labor and employment litigation
<b>Dawn Siler-Nixon</b> Partner	FordHarrison	Tampa, Fla.	University of North Carolina	22	Partners with clients to guide and direct employment decisions to avoid litigation and defend when necessary
<b>Brian Sinclair</b> Partner	Rutan & Tucker	Costa Mesa, Calif.	UC Davis	20	Represents clients in federal and state court, including individual and class actions
<b>Grant Sovern</b> Partner	Quarles & Brady	Madison, Wis.	University of Michigan	19	Employment immigration for employers and employees
<b>Jonathan Stoler</b> Partner; Co-Chair, Global Labor and Employment	Sheppard Mullin	New York	Brooklyn	20	Advises on a wide range of labor and employment matters, including the defense of single-plaintiff and class-action discrimination, wrongful discharge and wage/hour claims
<b>Julie A. Totten</b> Partner	Orrick	Sacramento, Calif.	University of San Diego	22	High-stakes employment litigation, including wage/hour class and collective actions, and employment and compliance counseling
<b>Denise L. Wheeler</b> Partner	FordHarrison	Fort Myers, Fla.	Stetson University	21	Employment litigation and advice to employers regarding contracts, discipline and other employment transactions
<b>Susan A.P. Woodhouse</b> Principal	Littler	San Francisco	Santa Clara University	19	Oversees firm's knowledge-driven employment-law technology solutions for clients and firm attorneys
<b>Todd D. Wozniak</b> Shareholder	Greenberg Traurig	Atlanta	University of Michigan	21	Defends companies and public institutions nationwide in complex labor, employment and ERISA litigation, and enforcement actions
<b>Joshua Zuckerberg</b> Partner	Pryor Cashman	New York	Brooklyn	18	Represents and counsels employers on all matters affecting the workplace, including discrimination, harassment and disability claims