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Name/Title	Law Firm	City	Law School	Years in Practice	Practice Specialty
Lorie E. Almon Co-Managing Partner, New York Office	Seyfarth Shaw	New York	University of Virginia	21	Complex employment litigation
Eric Amdursky Partner, Managing Partner, Silicon Valley Office	O'Melveny	Menlo Park, Calif.	Loyola	20	Employment litigation and counseling
John M. Bagyi Member	Bond	Albany, N.Y.	Albany Law School	19	Employment litigation
Reginald W. Belcher Shareholder	Turner Padgett	Columbia, S.C.	University of South Carolina	19	Defends businesses and employers in state and federal courts and before governmental agencies
Sarah E. Bouchard 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
Tristan Brown 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
Colleen L. Caden Partner	Pryor Cashman	New York	Brooklyn	16	Business immigration for pharmaceutical, media, consumer-products, food-manufacturing and sports clients
Meredith S. Campbell 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
Julie M. Capell 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
Terri L. Chase 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
Adam S. Forman Principal	Miller Canfield	Detroit	Syracuse University	19	Labor relations
Robert F. Friedman Partner	Littler	Dallas	Southern Methodist University	17	Litigation and administrative matters brought by employees and government agencies
Malcolm A. Heinicke Partner	Munger Tolles	San Francisco	Stanford	18	Employment litigation, employee-mobility matters
Matthew C. Kane Partner	McGuireWoods	Los Angeles	Pepperdine	21	Employment and labor litigation and counseling
Jennifer P. Keller President and COO	Baker Donelson	Johnson City, Tenn.	University of Tennessee	19	Employment-discrimination litigation, litigation-prevention counseling, and management and employee training
Sameer Khedekar Partner	Pearl Law Group	San Francisco	Santa Clara University	12	Immigration
Michael J. Lebowich Partner	Proskauer	New York	Harvard	18	Labor relations, including counseling, collective-bargaining negotiations, contract arbitrations and NLRB proceedings
Penelope M. Lechtenberg 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
David N. Levine Principal	Groom Law Group, Chartered	Washington	University of Pennsylvania	18	Employee benefits, executive compensation and retirement planning
Laura L. Lichter Founder and Managing Partner	Lichter Immigration	Denver	University of Colorado	21	Immigration
Fermin H. Llaguno Office Managing Shareholder	Littler	Irvine, Calif.	USC	19	Class- and collective-action avoidance and defense; employment counseling, training and litigation; and wage/hour compliance
Lynden Melmed Partner	Berry Appleman & Leiden	Washington	University of Virginia	17	Brings experience in legislative and executive branch to immigration advice
Cindy Schmitt Minniti Partner	Reed Smith	New York	St. John's University	16	Represents management exclusively in labor and employment law
Robert Newman Partner	Covington & Burling	Washington	New York University	19	Employee benefits and executive compensation
Christy Nguyen Partner	Pearl Law Group	San Francisco	UC Hastings	15	Immigration
Kristen A. Page Partner	Shook	Kansas City	University of Missouri at Kansas City	14	Represents corporate employers in federal and state court in business and employment matters
Jessica R. Perry Partner	Orrick	Menlo Park, Calif.	Santa Clara University	15	Defends class and collective actions involving overtime, minimum wage, vacation and other benefits
John C. Romeo Director	Gibbons	Philadelphia	Western New England	20	Employment litigation, class action
Seth J. Safra Partner	Covington & Burling	Washington	Duke	14	Employee benefits and executive compensation, including the design, implementation and administration of retirement plans
David E. Schwartz Partner	Skadden	New York	Cornell	21	Advises clients on full range of employment-related issues, including litigation and arbitration
Jason C. Schwartz Partner	Gibson Dunn	Washington	Georgetown	17	Labor and employment litigation
Dawn Siler-Nixon 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
Brian Sinclair Partner	Rutan & Tucker	Costa Mesa, Calif.	UC Davis	20	Represents clients in federal and state court, including individual and class actions
Grant Sovern Partner	Quarles & Brady	Madison, Wis.	University of Michigan	19	Employment immigration for employers and employees
Jonathan Stoler 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
Julie A. Totten 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
Denise L. Wheeler Partner	FordHarrison	Fort Myers, Fla.	Stetson University	21	Employment litigation and advice to employers regarding contracts, discipline and other employment transactions
Susan A.P. Woodhouse Principal	Littler	San Francisco	Santa Clara University	19	Oversees firm's knowledge-driven employment-law technology solutions for clients and firm attorneys
Todd D. Wozniak Shareholder	Greenberg Traurig	Atlanta	University of Michigan	21	Defends companies and public institutions nationwide in complex labor, employment and ERISA litigation, and enforcement actions
Joshua Zuckerberg Partner	Pryor Cashman	New York	Brooklyn	18	Represents and counsels employers on all matters affecting the workplace, including discrimination, harassment and disability claims