

# **Understanding Employment** Law 2021

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Whether you are new to the field, seeking a quick refresher, or if your law practice only touches upon employment law issues, this jam-packed employment law primer is designed for you. An expert faculty will lead you through the major statutes, regulations, case law, and considerations governing the employer/employee relationship, and offer practical pointers ranging from hiring to firing and everything in between.

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# THE AGENDA

#### **DOCUMENTING THE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP IN 2021**

- Understand the nuances of onboarding policies and documentation, including offer letters, pay notices, and other at-hire documents and agreements
- Learn how to draft effective workplace policies
- Explore wage and hour recordkeeping
- Consider appropriate workplace performance management processes and best practices for maintaining performance and disciplinary
- Analyze leave and accommodation documentation
- Remote work arrangements

#### **OVERVIEW OF HARASSMENT LAW IN** THE WORKPLACE

- Harassment law basics
- Elements of proof and defenses to harassment claims
- Effects of #MeToo on harassment claims
- Recent legislative and case law developments impacting harassment claims

#### **DISCRIMINATION AND RETALIATION IN 2021**

- Discrimination law basics
- Recent developments and trends
- Legal issues impacting diversity programs and initiatives
- Pay equity laws and considerations
- What it takes to make out or defend a retaliation claim

#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF WAGE AND HOUR** LAW

- FLSA basics
- Wage and hour litigation trends
- Wage and hour considerations for remote
- Independent contractors, freelancers, and other non-employees
- Valuing and resolving wage and hour disputes

#### WORKPLACE LEAVE AND **ACCOMMODATION FUNDAMENTALS**

- A primer on disability discrimination
- Interplay of ADA, FMLA, and other leave laws
- Reasonable accommodation considerations and alternatives
- Remote work and accommodations
- Managing intermittent leave
- Mental health and the workplace: considerations and strategies

#### ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE **EMPLOYMENT LAW PRACTITIONER**

- Representation issues: Who is the client?
- Which employer and employee communications are privileged, and which
- Ethical issues in workplace investigations, and the role of in-house and external counsel
- Ethical considerations in internal studies and survevs
- Communicating with represented employees, including in the context of ongoing litigation
- Joint representation concerns

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