

California Workplace Solutions

Seyfarth's California Workplace Solutions ("CWS") is a team of skilled attorneys with a prominent California footprint and decades of combined experience in employment counseling and practical workplace solutions.



Our CWS attorneys are experienced in every employment related legal issue and all federal and state laws that govern employment relationships. They are able to provide practical advice and proactive strategies to assist with compliance and manage litigation risk, and have broad experience in handling documents relevant to the employment relationship, including but not limited to:

- employment agreements
- employment policies and procedures
- handbooks
- job applications
- offer letters

- performance evaluation forms
- separation agreements
- timekeeping documents
- required notices

California employers need effective human resources and legal strategies to avoid litigation, government investigations, and other interferences with business operations. Our CWS attorneys have developed key products and services to help employers anticipate trends and respond effectively to a wide range of legal issues. Examples of such offerings include:

Assessment, Audit and Compliance Tools

California-oriented compliance reviews, audits and assessments in the areas of:

WAGE AND HOUR LAWS	CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE COMPLIANCE	PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT
LEAVE MANAGEMENT	CLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES AND CONTINGENT WORKERS	HIRING ISSUES (including recruiting, interviewing and background checks)
PAY EQUITY	TERMINATION ISSUES	WORKPLACE CULTURE AND DIVERSITY

Innovative Advice Tools

- Flat-fee based California Hotlines for clients needing a fast response and frequent employment advice.
- Real-time trend analyses and updates on the matters Seyfarth's Labor & Employment Department is handling, plus forecasts of emerging issues.
- "Lessons learned" analysis resulting from employment disputes.
- A CWS counselor will efficiently analyze any situation that led to litigation or other dispute, and recommend adjustments to avoid similar problems going forward.
- Our team will partner with the client at any strategically optimal point in the lifecycle of a matter to implement suggested practices or policy changes and provide customized training to decrease the likelihood of a similar issue recurring.

The Latest Legal (and Practical) Information



California-specific

Management Alerts

California New Employer "Starter Kit"

Geared toward California employers with fewer than 50 employees, the suite includes an employee handbook, key policies, and checklists and forms that address employer obligations in hiring, employing, and terminating California employees, as well as attorney consultation time for customization.

The CWS group also regularly advises clients in the following substantive areas:

Wage and Hour
Leaves of Absence
Background Checks
Disability Law/Accommodations Counseling
Pay Equity
Policy Manuals
Privacy Rights
Vacation/Sick/PTO
Predictive Scheduling Laws
Additional Local Jurisdiction Peculiarities
Employee Access to Information

In Conclusion

Seyfarth's CWS attorneys serve our clients with an unequaled breadth and strength of legal, practical and business acumen. We are experienced in all aspects of employment and labor law, and routinely draw on the knowledge of our many colleagues who specialize in related areas, such as employee benefits, tax, diversity and affirmative action, workplace safety, workers' compensation, corporate and business law, and California legislative developments. We pride ourselves on providing effective, efficient and practical solutions to our clients' workplace legal issues.

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