



## Alyssa S. Gjedsted

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### Focus Areas

Discrimination and Harassment  
Leaves of Absence and Disability Accommodation  
Whistleblowing and Retaliation  
Litigation and Trials  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Hiring, Performance Management and Termination

### Overview

Alyssa Gjedsted focuses her practice on representing and advising management on labor and employment matters.

As a senior associate, she handles all aspects of labor and employment matters, including discovery and depositions, mediations, and arguing dispositive motions. She has experience as both a second chair in a two-week jury trial which resulted in a defense verdict and in a week-long arbitration in November 2021 which resulted in a defense verdict.

While in law school, Alyssa externed for Judge Arthur Alarcon at the Ninth Circuit and Judge Gregory Alarcon at the Los Angeles County Superior Court. Alyssa also received the Straus Institute Certificate for Alternative Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law.

### Professional and Community Affiliations

- Court Appointed Special Advocate, 2012-present

### Recognition

- Recipient, Diversity Scholarship, *Pepperdine University School of Law*, 2009-2012

- Recipient, CALI Award in Excellence for the Future Award in Civil Procedure, *Pepperdine University School of Law*, 2009

## Education

J.D., Pepperdine University School of Law, 2012

B.A., University of Southern California, 2009

## Bar Admissions

California

## Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

U.S. District Court, Southern District of California

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California

## Languages

Italian

## Speaking Engagements

**A Supervisor's Guide to Preventing Workplace Harassment | California Compliant**

September 15, 2021

**2020 in Review: Key Employment Law Developments**

OCBA Labor & Employment Law Section Webinar

January 11, 2021