

## Ben Jakovljevic

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## Focus Areas

Littler CaseSmart

## Overview

Ben Jakovljevic is a member of the Littler CaseSmart® team and is based in California. He is responsible for early case evaluation (ECE). At the outset of each employment litigation matter, he identifies and reviews pertinent documents, interviews relevant witnesses, and drafts an ECE report for clients' cases, which includes an analysis of potential defense and settlement strategies as well as potential litigation risks. In keeping with each client's litigation philosophy, he partners with the local Littler litigation team and assists in developing and executing strategies for effectively handling litigation.

Ben is a seasoned attorney with experience representing clients across a variety of industries. He has defended employers in wage and hour, discrimination, harassment, hostile work environment, trade secrets, and whistleblower and retaliation matters, in courts, arbitrations, and before government agencies. Ben has also provided day-to-day counseling to employers on best employment practices, the drafting of employee handbooks and separation agreements, engagement of early stage dispute resolution, and other issues pertaining to human resources relations.

## Education

J.D., University of Southern California Gould School of Law, 2014

B.A., University of California, Irvine, 2009

## Bar Admissions

California

## Courts

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

## **Publications & Press**

### **Community Supported Fisheries for the Win**

*USC Business Law Advisor, Vol. 2 No. 1*

February 2014

### **Terror in Trading: Should the United States Classify Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations as Terrorist Organizations?**

*23 S. CAL. INTERDISC. L.J. 355 (Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal)*

February 2014

## **Speaking Engagements**

### **Employment Law Basics, Best Practices, and New Worker Classification Legislation**

Infused Products Conference - Cannabis Industry Institute, Los Angeles, CA

September 9, 2019