

### Josh Waltman

Shareholder Co-Chair, Staffing, Independent Contractors and Contingent Workers Practice Group

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#### **Focus Areas**

Staffing, Independent Contractors and Contingent Workers
Discrimination and Harassment
Leaves of Absence and Disability Accommodation
Litigation and Trials
Unfair Competition and Trade Secrets

## **Overview**

As a co-chair of Littler's Contingent Workforce Practice Group, Josh Waltman regularly advises clients on leveraging contingent workforce solutions and conducts deep-dive audits to assess and mitigate contingent workforce risk. He helps clients develop and support their contingent worker programs and litigates contingent worker matters. To support his work in the contingent worker space, Josh regularly drafts polices and agreements related to independent contractors, staffing firms, master service providers, and employer of record or agent of record services.

Additionally, Josh represents employers in litigation and administrative matters that include leave and accommodation, discrimination and harassment, restrictive covenants, and related labor and employment issues. He regularly partners with multiple stakeholders within a client's organization, including legal, HR, investigations, business leadership, operations, finance, and ethics and compliance, to guide employers through their labor and employment challenges. His clients range from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses, and he provides practical advice with an eye toward both compliance and employee experience.

Josh regularly presents at local and national conferences on contingent workforce issues and conducts employee and manager training on discrimination and harassment prevention. He volunteers with the Anti-Defamation League,

implementing anti-bullying programs in schools. He also served as a judge pro tem for the Maricopa County Superior Court.

Prior to joining Littler, he served as court counsel for Maricopa County Superior Court, the fourth-largest trial court in the country, where he advised the presiding judge and court administrator. Josh clerked for Chief Judge Roslyn O. Silver at the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona and served on the *Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review* at Harvard Law School.

# **Professional and Community Affiliations**

- Member, Education Committee, Anti-Defamation League, 2005-Present
- Judge Pro Tem, Maricopa County Superior Court, 2014-2015, 2017-present

# Recognition

Named, Ones to Watch, The Best Lawyers in America®, 2022-2024

#### **Education**

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2004 B.S., Arizona State University, 2001, *magna cum laude* 

### **Bar Admissions**

Arizona

### **Courts**

U.S. District Court, District of Arizona U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

### **Publications & Press**

Littler Elevates 33 Attorneys to Shareholder
Littler Press Release
January 6, 2022

Best Lawyers in America© 2022 Edition Honors More Than 240 Littler Lawyers

Littler Press Release

August 19, 2021

## Employers' Duty to Bargain Over Union COVID-19 Proposals During the Term of a Collective Bargaining Agreement

Littler Insight

May 4, 2020

### **DOL Final Rule Compliance**

**TortSource** 

Winter 2017

### **Technology Transfer at Universities**

**IP Today** 

August 2003

# **Speaking Engagements**

### **How to Conduct Effective Workplace Investigations**

January 30, 2024

### 2023 Arizona Regional Employer Conference

Phoenix, AZ

November 1, 2023

### From the Provider Perspective: Updates on Contingent Workforce Laws

September 19, 2023

### The Risks and Rise of Contingent Workers

April 25, 2023

# Understanding the New DOL IC and Gig Economy Guidance

October 18, 2022

### **2022** Arizona Regional Employer Conference

Phoenix, AZ

October 13, 2022

### **Leveraging Contingent Workers During COVID and Beyond**

February 23, 2022

### **2021** Arizona Virtual Regional Employer Conference

Phoenix, AZ

October 12, 2021

### Remote Work in a New Era

Phoenix, AZ

April 28, 2021

### **Arizona Virtual Employer**

October 20, 2020

### A Legal Update: Answers to Arizona Employers' Questions

June 23, 2020

### **Contingent Workers Under Attack**

2018 Littler Arizona Employer Conference October 2018

### **Sexual Harassment Reporting and Audits**

Law Enforcement Inspections and Auditing Group September 5, 2018

### The FMLA Today: Tackling New and Persistent Leave Issues

2017 Littler Arizona Employer Conference October 17, 2017

#### **HR Audits**

Phoenix SHRM, Phoenix, AZ January 27, 2017

### **FMLA and ADA Updates**

Yuma SHRM, Yuma, AZ October 28, 2016

### The Ambush Election: One Year In

Littler Arizona Employer Conference, Phoenix, AZ October 25, 2016

#### **DOL Final Rule**

American Bar Association TIPS Corporate Counsel Committee September 20, 2016

#### **DOL Final Rule**

2016 Littler Public Sector Seminar July 27, 2016

## **Public Sector Employment Law Update**

Phoenix, AZ July 27, 2016

# DOL Final Rule, Medical Marijuana, FMLA/ADA Updates

Northern Arizona SHRM June 9, 2016

## **Independent Contractor Classification Under Attack**

American Bar Association TIPS Corporate Counsel Committee December 2015