

### **Tara Porterfield**

Senior Counsel

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### **Focus Areas**

Arbitration
Class Action
Wage and Hour
Discrimination and Harassment
Energy
Appellate

### **Overview**

Tara Porterfield is an employment attorney with extensive litigation and counseling experience including class and collective action litigation and appellate work. She has experience with a wide array of federal and state laws applicable to the employment relationship, including discrimination, wage and hour issues, independent contractor classification, and leave and accommodation issues. Tara also has significant experience in the preparation, implementation, and enforcement of arbitration agreements and programs.

Tara is board certified in labor and employment law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Before joining Littler, Tara practiced employment law at an international full-service firm. She also served as a judicial law clerk for retired judge Hon. Stephen S. Trott of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. During law school, she was an articles editor for the *Texas Law Review*.

# Recognition

Named, The Best Lawyers in America, 2023-2024

# **Education**

J.D., University of Texas School of Law, 1996, with honors

B.A., Wesleyan University, 1990

## **Bar Admissions**

Texas

### **Courts**

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

## **Publications & Press**

Littler Welcomes Senior Counsel Tara Porterfield in Austin

Littler Press Release

January 16, 2024