

# Emma J. Diamond

Of Counsel

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#### **Overview**

Emma J. Diamond represents and counsels employers facing a broad range of labor and employment law issues, including front-end compliance, diversity and inclusion, leaves and accommodations, discipline/performance management, employee trainings, internal investigations, terminations and separations, alternative dispute resolution and high-stakes litigation. Emma draws on her litigation experience to counsel employers on effective strategies to avoiding litigation, where possible, and on preparing for litigation when it is unavoidable.

On behalf of her clients, Emma has successfully resolved matters at the demand-letter stage and has won cases through dispositive motions and Second Circuit appeals. She has litigated cases in federal and state courts as well as in agency proceedings (DOL) and regularly defends employers and individual managers in cases involving claims such as:

- Wrongful termination
- Discrimination, harassment and retaliation
- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
- New York State and City Human Rights Law
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA)
- Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)
- Federal and state whistleblower laws
- Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and state wage and hour laws
- New York's Unemployment Insurance Law
- Traditional labor grievances and negotiations
- Employment policies, handbooks and contracts

In addition, Emma has extensive knowledge of federal and state child labor laws and regularly counsels clients on navigating all aspects of COVID-19, including restrictions and reopening requirements.

During law school, Emma was a summer associate in Littler's New York office and she rejoined the firm after graduation.



# **Professional and Community Affiliations**

- Member, Labor and Employment Law Section, American Bar Association
- Pathfinder, Leadership Council on Legal Diversity
- Academy Member, National Employment Law Council
- Co-Chair, Next Level Affinity Group, National Association of Women Lawyers
- Host Committee, Sponsorship Subcommittee, National Association of Women Lawyers

#### Recognition

- Named, Ones to Watch, The Best Lawyers in America®, 2021-2025
- Named, Rising Star, Super Lawyers, 2020-2025

# **Education**

J.D., Fordham University School of Law, 2016 B.A., Boston University, 2011

# **Bar Admissions**

New York

#### **Courts**

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit

#### **Publications & Press**

Annual Report on EEOC Developments – Fiscal Year 2024 Littler Report April 28, 2025

**New York State Launches New Hotline for Workplace Sexual Harassment Complaints** *Littler ASAP* July 20, 2022

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August 20, 2020

# A Return to Work Roadmap for New York Employers

Littler ASAP May 21, 2020

# Amendments to NYC Law Would Codify the ABC Test

*Littler ASAP* May 4, 2020

# A COVID-19 Roadmap for New York Employers

*Littler ASAP* March 30, 2020

#### New York State Bans Discrimination Based on Reproductive Health Decision Making

*Littler ASAP* November 15, 2019

#### New York State Has Adopted Amendments to Existing Minimum Wage Orders

*Littler ASAP* December 28, 2016

# Proposed Amendment to New York State Wage Orders Set To Substantially Raise Salary Requirements For Exempt Employees

*Littler ASAP* November 1, 2016