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Practice Areas

Discrimination and Harassment
Leave and Accommodation
Whistleblowing, Compliance and Investigations
HR Advice and Counsel

Overview

Jaclyn R. Giffen represents employers with respect to high profile or high-risk matters spanning all aspects of employment and labor law including discrimination, harassment, retaliation, whistleblowing, and wrongful termination claims. Jaclyn successfully minimizes risk for her clients and resolves matters through both pre-litigation strategy and litigation. Jaclyn represents a variety of clients in a range of industries, including healthcare, manufacturing, and telecommunications, and has extensive knowledge of federal, state, and local discrimination laws.

Jaclyn also speaks regularly before client and other audiences regarding a myriad of employment issues from FMLA and ADA concerns, to retaliation issues, to recently enacted, and frequently evolving, COVID-19 state and county requirements. Jaclyn supports her clients by creating partnerships and providing excellent, innovative, and timely service.

Professional and Community Affiliations

- Member, Labor and Employment Law Section, State Bar of Michigan
- Member, Federal Bar Association

Recognition

- Ranked, Labor & Employment, *Chambers USA*, 2024
- Named, The Best Lawyers in America[®], 2025

Education

J.D., University of Michigan Law School, 2011

B.A., University of Michigan, 2007

Bar Admissions

Michigan

Courts

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

Publications & Press

The Sixth Circuit Rules on Arbitration Clause Enforcement

Littler ASAP

February 19, 2025

Littler Ranked in 2024 Chambers USA Guide

Press Release

June 6, 2024

Punching In: Hoffa's Teamsters Reign Ends With Hard Feelings

Bloomberg Law

March 21, 2022

Michigan Governor Announces State Will Open to Full Capacity June 22

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June 21, 2021

Michigan Accelerates Path to Normalcy with Relaxation of Rules

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May 21, 2021

Michigan Plans to Return to Work Across All Sectors

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May 11, 2021

Michigan Lifts COVID-19 Restrictions, Allows Dining in at Restaurants

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January 22, 2021

Michigan Extends Lockdown but Permits Group Fitness Activities and Non-Contact Sports

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January 13, 2021

Michigan Extends Its Ban on Indoor Gatherings While Reopening Casinos, Theaters, and Other Recreational Facilities

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December 21, 2020

Michigan Extends its Lockdown until Mid-December

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December 8, 2020

Michigan Locks Down in Advance of Thanksgiving Holiday

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November 16, 2020

Michigan Extends and Revises its Restrictions on Gatherings and Face Masks

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October 30, 2020

Michigan Grants Business and Worker Protections Related to COVID-19

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October 23, 2020

Michigan OSHA Adopts COVID-19 Emergency Rule

SHRM Online

October 22, 2020

Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration Adopts COVID-19 Emergency Rule

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October 16, 2020

Michigan Agency Continues to Issue Emergency Health Orders and Guidance on Face Coverings and Gatherings

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October 12, 2020

Michigan Agency Steps Up Mask Mandate and Other Requirements to Fill Void Created by Nullification of COVID-19 Executive Orders

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October 6, 2020

In Fractured Opinion, Michigan Supreme Court Strikes Down Governor's Emergency Authority

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October 5, 2020

Michigan Extends Protection for Residents and Employees of Long-Term Care Facilities

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October 2, 2020

Michigan Issues Three Executive Orders Relaxing Gathering Restrictions, Re-opening Cinemas, and Requiring Facemasks for Kindergarteners

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September 28, 2020

Michigan Extends its Safety Measures for Grocery Stores, Pharmacies, and Long-Term Care Facilities

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September 9, 2020

Michigan, Get Out Your Sports Gear, Gym Bag, and Swim Suits: Gyms and Pools are Now Open and Competitive Sports are Back in Session

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September 3, 2020

Michigan's New Executive Order Modifies Worker "Stay-At-Home" Requirements

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August 28, 2020

Michigan Executive Order Requires Staffers to Wear Face Coverings in Childcare Centers and Camps

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August 6, 2020

Michigan Governor Directs Robust Enforcement of COVID-19 Executive Orders

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August 5, 2020

COVID-19 Steps Up, Michigan Steps Back: New Executive Order Reestablishes Previous Stay-at-Home Restrictions

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July 31, 2020

Michigan is Moving Toward Reopening, But it Will Not be "Business as Usual"

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May 6, 2020

Littler Elevates 28 Attorneys to Shareholder

Press Release

January 6, 2020

Recruiting in the Robot Age: Examining Potential EEO Implications in Optimizing Recruiting Through the Use of Artificial Intelligence

The Computer & Internet Lawyer

October 1, 2019

Recruiting in the Robot Age: Examining Potential EEO Implications in Optimizing Recruiting Through the Use of Artificial Intelligence

Michigan Bar Journal

June 1, 2019

Sixth Circuit Rejects Argument that Full-Time Job Requires Full-Time Hours in ADA Failure to Accommodate Case

Littler ASAP

August 1, 2018

Michigan Expands its Preemption Law to Cover Interview Limitations

Littler ASAP

March 29, 2018

Annual Report on EEOC Developments – Fiscal Year 2015

Littler Report

January 12, 2016

Michigan's Minimum Wage to Increase to \$9.25 Over Four Years

Littler ASAP

May 30, 2014

Events & Speaking Engagements

Challenges Created by Remote Work and the Wandering Worker

Littler and ACC Michigan Webinar

June 17, 2021

Littler Roundtable: Preparing the Workplace and Workforce for the “Return to Work”

Detroit, MI

May 26, 2021

A COVID-19 Storm is Brewing: How Employers Respond Mandates When Whistleblowers Threaten

August 18, 2020

The Next Normal: Has COVID-19 Forever Changed Workplaces and Our Approach to Work?

July 21, 2020

Return to Work in Michigan – Managing the Next Phase of the Pandemic

June 1, 2020

What Managers Can Do to Mitigate Litigation Risk (And What You Can Do to Help Them)

Detroit, MI

May 22, 2019

44th Annual ICLE Labor & Employment Law Institute: The Year in Review for Human Resources Professionals (FMLA)

Detroit, MI

April 11, 2019

New Developments on the FMLA and ADA: Keeping Your Company Out of the Headlines

Detroit, MI

September 24, 2015