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Practice Areas

Wage and Hour
Class Action
Discrimination and Harassment
Leave and Accommodation
Litigation and Trials
Appellate
Arbitration
Drugs and Alcohol
Healthcare
Home Health and Home Care
Energy
Hospitality

Overview

Andrea M. Kirshenbaum's practice focuses on providing counsel on compliance with wage and hour laws and defending employers in federal and state courts against litigation under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and state laws relating to wages, pay practices and worker classifications. She regularly represents employers in complex class and collective actions involving a variety of employment-related disputes. Andrea has experience working with clients in a range of industries, including construction, commercial real estate, energy, financial services, health care and pharmaceuticals, hospitality, manufacturing, retail, and technology.

In addition to wage and hour matters, Andrea counsels and represents employers in a wide range of matters that arise in the employer-employee relationship involving discrimination and harassment claims, including religious discrimination cases related to COVID-19 and influenza vaccinations, leave and disability accommodation, and trade secrets and restrictive covenants. Andrea also represents employers in complex class and collective actions, government investigations, and audits of



employment policies and practices, and labor relations matters.

A prolific author and speaker, Andrea regularly writes and presents on legal and regulatory developments impacting the workplace. She serves as the wage and hour columnist for *The Legal Intelligencer*. In 2022, she was appointed to the Civil Rules Advisory Committee of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Prior to joining Littler, Andrea was a shareholder with a Philadelphia law firm, where she was chair of the Employment and Labor Practice Group.

She previously served as a clerk to the Hon. Harvey Bartle III, Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and the Hon. Morton I. Greenberg, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Professional and Community Affiliations

- Member, American Bar Association (ABA)
- Member, Women in the Profession Committee, Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA)
- Member, Philadelphia Bar Association
- Member, Civil Rules Advisory Committee, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- Member, American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA)
- Vice President, Board of Directors, OROT
- Board Member, Duke Philadelphia Regional Board
- Board Member, The Committee of Seventy
- Member, Program Committee, The Forum of Executive Women
- Board Member, ASCEND Group Inc. (The Asperger and Autism Alliance for Greater Philadelphia)
- Member, Philadelphia Steering Committee, Women Owned Law
- Member, Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association (PR&LA)

Events & Speaking Engagements

2024 Philadelphia Regional Employer Conference

Philadelphia, PA

October 25, 2024

Healthcare Roundtable: Top Issues Facing Healthcare Employers in 2024

Littler Executive Employer Conference, Phoenix, AZ May 8, 2024

May 0, 2024

Home Health Care Challenges in the Post-Pandemic Age of Substance Abuse

October 10, 2023

Employment Challenges in the Post-Pandemic Age of Substance Abuse

Philadelphia, PA



May 2, 2023

Is Court Approval Still Required for FLSA Settlements?

Celesq AttorneysEd Center January 17, 2023

To Compete or Not to Compete: The Future of Competition in Clinical Medicine

Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) 2022 Health Law Institute March 16, 2022

Navigating Vaccinations and Religious Exemptions Under Title VII in the COVID-19 Era

Pennsylvania Bar Institute's (PBI) A Day on Health Law October 28, 2021

COVID-19 Employer Vaccine Mandates

Women Owned Law's (WOL) Table Talk October 14, 2021

Where Are We? Remote Work Issues: Tax & Employment Law View

Philadelphia Bar Association's Virtual Bench-Bar & Annual CLE Conference October 1, 2021

What Employers Need to Know About Pay Practices for Tipped Employees

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association (PRLA) Webinar August 3, 2021

Impact of New PA Salary Thresholds

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association (PRLA) Webinar June 9, 2021

COVID-19 Vaccinations and Employees: Navigating the Legal Challenges

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association (PRLA) Webinar June 8, 2021

Women & The Workplace

Forum of Executive Women/Philadelphia Business Journal Webinar April 27, 2021

Navigating Vaccinations and Religious Exemptions under Title VII in the COVID-19 Era

Pennsylvania Bar Institute's (PBI) Health Law Institute 2021 March 2021



The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Working Mothers and How to Move Forward

The Forum for Executive Women Panel Discussion January 26, 2021

COVID-19: Vaccination Protocols and the Regulatory and Legal Landscape

West LegalEd Center CLE Webinar December 21, 2020

Navigating Vaccinations and Religious Exemption Under Title VII in the COVID-19 Era

Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) Webinar August 27, 2020

Managing Employment Challenges in an Age of Opioid, CBDs, Medical Marijuana, Drugs & Alcohol

PBI's 2020 Employment Law Institute

July 22, 2020

Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Insights for Employers

Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association (PMTA) Webinar March 30, 2020

Families First Act & The Hospitality Industry

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Industry (PRLA) Webinar March 24, 2020

Managing Employment Challenges in the Age of the Opioid Epidemic

PBI's 2020 Health Law Institute, Philadelphia, PA March 12, 2020

Top Health Industry Issues of 2021: Will a Shocked System Emerge Stronger?

Duke Philadelphia Alumni Webinar March 4, 2020

Recognition

- Appointed, Board of Judges U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Court's Civil Rules Advisory Committee, 2022
- Named, Best Lawyers, Employment Law Management, Best Lawyers in America©, 2020-2025
- Named, Super Lawyer, Pennsylvania, Super Lawyer, 2014-2023
- H. Clayton Louderback Legal Writing Fellow University of Pennsylvania Law School
- Articles Editor, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Journal of Labor and Employment Law

Education



J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2001, cum laude

M.A., University of Pennsylvania, 1998

A.B., Duke University, 1996, cum laude, with Distinction

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania

New York

New Jersey

Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Publications & Press

Supreme Court Holds That Preponderance-of-the-Evidence Standard Applies to Prove Exemptions Under the FLSA

External Publication

March 24, 2025

Exercising On My Peloton Bike Makes Me A Better Lawyer

External Publication

January 8, 2025

DOL Salary Level Final Rule Vacated

External Publication

December 13, 2024

Third Circuit's 'Johnson v. NCAA' Opinion: What It Means for College Athletics and Beyond

External Publication

October 22, 2024

High Court's Administrative Law Transformation and Its Impact on Federal Wage-and-Hour Law External Publication

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July 22, 2024

DOL's Final Rule on Independent Contractor Classification Likely Is Not the Final Word

External Publication

March 25, 2024

'Bad for Business?' House Holds Hearing on DOL's Proposed Changes to FLSA OT Exemptions

External Publication

December 18, 2023

DOL Proposes Significant Increase in Salary Level to Remain Exempt From OT

External Publication

October 24, 2023

Will the Supreme Court's 'Mallory' Decision Create Litigation Flood in Pennsylvania?

External Publication

July 24, 2023

Is an FLSA Earthquake Heading Our Way?

External Publication

March 27, 2023

Dear Littler: How Do We Handle Drug or Alcohol Impairment in the Workplace?

Dear Littler

March 27, 2023

Andrea Kirshenbaum Joins Littler as Shareholder in Philadelphia

Press Release

January 30, 2023

One Year Later, DOL's Caregiver Initiative Shines Light on Pay Practices for 'Care-Focused' Employers

The Legal Intelligencer

December 21, 2022

NJ Cannabis Regulatory Commission Releases 'Hazy' Guidance on Workplace Marijuana Impairment

New Jersey Law Journal

October 27, 2022

More and More Courts Are Eschewing Mandatory Approval of FLSA Settlements

The National Law Journal

October 6, 2022



Significant Revisions to PMWA Regulations for Tipped Employees Coming to a Restaurant Near You in August

The Legal Intelligencer
July 22, 2022

US Department of Labor 'Beefing Up' Enforcement Efforts

The Legal Intelligencer March 25, 2022

Risk Factors Combine to Make Wage and Hour Audits a Priority for Employers in 2022

The Legal Intelligencer
December 20, 2021

Expansive View of Compensable Time Under PMWA Likely to Drive More Class Actions

The Legal Intelligencer September 8, 2021

Construction Companies' Wage-and-Hour Noncompliance Viewed as 'Wage Theft'

The Legal Intelligencer
August 20, 2021

Avoiding Wage-and-Hour Pitfalls in the Post-Pandemic Workplace

The Legal Intelligencer March 26, 2021

Should Your Organization Consider a COVID-19 Vaccination Mandate?

The Legal Intelligencer
December 21, 2020

What HR Needs to Know Now About COVID-19 Vaccine Policy

HR Executive Magazine
November 9, 2020

Pa. Significantly Increases OT Salary Thresholds Under the Minimum Wage Act

The Legal Intelligencer October 26, 2020

Employers Should Plan For Vaccine Religious Exemptions

Law360

September 29, 2020



Avoiding Wage-and-Hour Woes During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The Legal Intelligencer
July 27, 2020

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act: What Employers Need to Know

The Legal Intelligencer March 30, 2020