

## Christopher Benton

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### Focus Areas

Littler CaseSmart

### Overview

As a member of the Littler CaseSmart – Charges™ team and based in California, Christopher Benton is responsible for handling charges from investigation to conclusion. He works on client-dedicated service teams, focusing on handling administrative agency charges. He investigates charge allegations, reviews pertinent documents, interviews key witnesses, and provides clients an assessment of the risks associated with the charge. In partnership with the client, he defends the charge by drafting persuasive position statements and responses to the agency's requests for information.

Prior to joining Littler, Christopher worked in a national full-service law firm where he focused on employment litigation. He defended clients in state and federal court, agency proceedings, and other pre-litigation matters.

During law school, Christopher was a regional quarter-finalist in the Phillip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition and served as a primary editor on the *University of the Pacific Law Review*. He also worked at McGeorge's Immigration Clinic, the California Department of Human Resources, and the University of Parma Department of Law in Parma, Italy.

Born and raised in Sacramento, California, Christopher previously worked in human resources in both the agricultural industry and the mortgage industry. During his undergraduate studies, he studied abroad at the Lorenzo de' Medici School in Florence, Italy, and at the Academia Lingua Italia in Assisi, Italy.

### Recognition

- Order of the Barristers

- Traynor Honor Society, *University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law*, 2018
- Recipient, Witkin Award for Academic Excellence in Global Lawyering Skills II, 2017
- Recipient, Witkin Award for Academic Excellence in Space Law & Policy, 2016

## Education

J.D., University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, 2018, *with distinction*

B.A., University of the Pacific, 2011

## Bar Admissions

California

## Courts

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California

U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

## Publications & Press

**Emergency Paid Sick Leave: U.S. Department of Labor Enforcement Efforts On The Rise**

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