

# Heather M. Vigil

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# **Focus Areas**

International Employment Law Wage and Hour Privacy and Data Security Training - Compliance, Ethics, Leadership

# **Overview**

Heather M. Vigil, currently the office managing shareholder of Littler's Irvine, California, and Portland, Oregon, offices, is a global employment attorney located in Southern California. She is a trusted advisor to international employers. She also defends employers and managers in employment litigation in various forums, including federal and state courts as well as arbitration. She has a strong record of successfully defending companies in administrative hearings before various governmental agencies.

In addition, Heather regularly conducts employee and management training sessions and provides small, medium-sized, and multinational employers advice on workplace investigations, terminations, disciplinary actions, and other issues arising under the Fair Employment and Housing Act and California Labor Code.

Heather is committed to diversity and inclusion in the workplace. She is the former co-chair of Littler's Hispanic/Latino affinity group, Reunión, and was the regional lead liaison for the Women's Leadership Initiative.

Not licensed to practice in Oregon. Acting only in the capacity of a management role.



# **Education**

J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law, 2007M.A., University of Amsterdam, 2002B.A., San Jose State University, 1999

### **Bar Admissions**

California

# Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th CircuitU.S. District Court, Central District of CaliforniaU.S. District Court, Southern District of California

### **Publications & Press**

#### Littler Appoints New Firm Leaders Across Various U.S. Offices

*Littler Press Release* July 24, 2024

### Littler Appoints New Office Managing Shareholders in Chicago and Irvine

*Littler Press Release* May 3, 2023

#### 5 Takeaways: MCCA Conference Panel Provides Insight on Privacy Law Compliance

*The Recorder* April 4, 2019

# #MeToo and How It May Impact You Too Across Latin America Wolters Kluwer

December 1, 2018

### A Look at the #MeToo Movement's Impact in the US, Brazil and the UK

*TLNT* August 8, 2018

# Brexit: Some Potential Implications for Employers

*Thomson Reuters Corporate Counsel Connect* September 1, 2016

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#### What Brexit May Mean For U.S. Companies With Overseas Workers

*TLNT* July 29, 2016

### Littler's Heather Peck Recognized Among Top 50 Women Lawyers by the National Diversity Council

Littler Press Release July 20, 2016

**Brexit: Some Potential Implications For Employers** *Littler Insight* July 14, 2016

Littler Elevates 15 Attorneys to Shareholder Littler Press Release January 4, 2016

The Future of PEOs and Employment Class Action Litigation PEO Insider May 2011

# **Speaking Engagements**

### 2019 Southern California Employer Conference

Hyatt Regency Long Beach200 S. Pine Ave. Long Beach, CA 90802 October 23, 2019

Staying Alive After AB5 - Can California Businesses Still 'Depend' on Independent Contractors? August 8, 2019

**Unconscious Bias in the Workplace** Irvine, CA January 24, 2019

# Southern California Legal Update Series - Costa Mesa Center Club Orange County650 Town Center Drive, Garden LevelCosta Mesa, CA 92626 January 22, 2019

# **Global Trends and their Impact on HR Policies** California HR Conference, Long Beach, CA August 2018

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#### **LGBT Global Mobility**

California HR Conference 2018 August 2018

### Diversity and Inclusion Summit 2018 - Part 1: Should Affinity Groups Come with an Expiry Date?

Littler Executive Employer, Phoenix, AZ May 2, 2018

# Diversity and Inclusion Summit 2018 - Part 2: The Training Trap: How Efforts to "Fix" Unconscious Bias Are Failing Employers

Littler Executive Employer, Phoenix, AZ May 2, 2018

### Southern California Legal Update - Costa Mesa

Los Angeles, CA November 7, 2017

### Southern California Breakfast Briefing - Costa Mesa

The Westin South Coast Plaza686 Anton BlvdCosta Mesa, CA 92626 November 3, 2016

### Bullying Be Gone! CUPA-HR, SoCal Chapter

October 10, 2014

### The Changing Legal and Litigation Landscape After the End of DOMA

Hispanic National Bar Association, Washington, D.C. September 12, 2014

### **Top Trends and Legal Issues**

Professionals In Human Resources Association (PIHRA) April 17, 2014

### What Your Clients Don't Know Can Hurt Them

CadenceCounsel, Beverly Hills, CA March 24, 2014

### Horses, Tattoos and Guns Accommodation Issues and Solutions for Today's Workplace

Professionals In Human Resources Association (PIHRA) December 12, 2013

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### **Employment Law Update**

Irvine, CA October 19, 2012

### The Employee from Hell

Professionals In Human Resources Association, Newport Beach, CA September 26, 2012

### What Happens Overseas Doesn't Stay Overseas: Measuring the Long Arm of the FCPA

2012 Annual Conference & Exposition - Professionals in Human Resources Association (PIHRA), Anaheim, CA August 27, 2012

# Global HR Issues: Social Media in the Workplace

Global HR News, Los Angeles, CA March 7, 2012

# Employment Law Update - Lunch and Learn

April 2011