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Focus Areas

Arbitration
Class Action
Wage and Hour
Discrimination and Harassment
Energy
Appellate

Overview

Tara Porterfield is an employment attorney with extensive litigation and counseling experience including class and collective action litigation and appellate work. She has experience with a wide array of federal and state laws applicable to the employment relationship, including discrimination, wage and hour issues, independent contractor classification, and leave and accommodation issues. Tara also has significant experience in the preparation, implementation, and enforcement of arbitration agreements and programs.

Tara is board certified in labor and employment law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Before joining Littler, Tara practiced employment law at an international full-service firm. She also served as a judicial law clerk for retired judge Hon. Stephen S. Trott of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. During law school, she was an articles editor for the *Texas Law Review*.

Recognition

- Named, The Best Lawyers in America, 2023-2024

Education

J.D., University of Texas School of Law, 1996, *with honors*

B.A., Wesleyan University, 1990

Bar Admissions

Texas

Courts

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

Publications & Press

Littler Welcomes Senior Counsel Tara Porterfield in Austin

Littler Press Release

January 16, 2024