

## CONFERENCE

# 24th Annual Employment Law Conference 2021

*Everything new affecting your practice*

Employment law has seen many changes in the past year, and you won't want to miss this opportunity to efficiently catch up on all of the latest developments, as well as a chance to gain insight about trends on the horizon. MCLE's *24th Annual Employment Law Conference* features expert practitioners who provide you with everything you need to know to keep your employment law practice up to date.

Learn about the effect of new statutes, regulations, and MCAD policies and procedures. Hear from both sides of the bar, key agency experts, factfinders, and neutrals about current philosophies, assessments, and strategies for dealing with a variety of practical evolving employment law issues.

## Agenda

9:00 am–9:15 am	<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b> Jaclyn L. Kugell, Esq., <i>Morgan, Brown &amp; Joy LLP, Boston</i> , Cochair Katherine J. Michon, Esq., <i>Hartley Michon Robb Hannon LLP,</i> <i>Boston</i> , Cochair
9:15 am–10:00 am	<b>Discrimination Law Update</b> David E. Belfort, Esq., <i>Bennett &amp; Belfort, PC, Cambridge</i> Lynn A. Kappelman, Esq., <i>Seyfarth Shaw LLP, Boston</i>
10:00 am–11:00 am	<b>Contract, Tort, Wage and Hour, and Legislative Update</b> Kavita M. Goyal, Esq., <i>Rosen &amp; Goyal, PC, Andover</i> Bryn Sfetsios, Esq., <i>Pontikes Law LLP, Boston</i>
11:00 am–11:15 am	<b>Break</b>
11:15 am–12:30 pm	<b>Featured Panel: Employment Law Issues in the “New Normal”</b> 2020 and 2021 are going down in the history books as years that impacted all of our lives in countless ways, including the practice of employment law. The pandemic created a proliferation of new employment laws and employment law issues, as well as a reinvigoration of employment laws that have been around for decades. This expert panel analyzes the pandemic's impact on employment law. Hear how management-side lawyers have been advising employers and defending claims, and how employee-side lawyers have been evaluating potential legal actions and advising their clients in our “new normal” world. Will practicing employment law ever be the same? Mark H. Burak, Esq., <i>Ogletree Deakins, Nash, Smoak &amp; Stewart, PC, Boston</i> Christina L. Lewis, Esq., <i>Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston</i> Emma M. Quinn-Judge, Esq., <i>Zalkind, Duncan &amp; Bernstein LLP, Boston</i> James S. Weliky, Esq., <i>Messing, Rudavsky &amp; Weliky, PC, Newton</i>
12:30 pm–1:30 pm	<b>Lunch Break (on your own)</b>



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9:00 am–5:00 pm

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**The MCAD: Tips to Better Your Practice, and Interactive Question and Answer Session**

Sunila Thomas George, Esq., *Chairwoman and Commissioner, MCAD, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

Jason B. Barshak, Esq., *Senior Hearing Officer, MCAD, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

Kenneth Callahan II, *Acting Chief of Investigations, MCAD, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

Deirdre A. Hosler, Esq., *Deputy General Counsel, MCAD, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

Joseph Lazazzero, Esq., *Edelman Financial Engines, Inc., Boston, Moderator*

Lila Roberts, Esq., *Acting Supervisor, Attorney Advisors Unit, MCAD, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

2:30 pm–3:30 pm

**The Massachusetts Paid Family and Medical Leave Law: Lessons from the First Year**

The legal entitlements to a leave of absence from work continue to grow in number, as does the resulting labyrinth of issues created by absent workers. Hear from the experts on how to advise clients on adherence to the new law, how it works with other laws, and how to assess and establish best practices.

William J. Alpine, Jr., Esq., *Director, Department of Paid Family and Medical Leave, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

Elizabeth A. Whiteway, Esq., *Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston*

Andrea Evans Zoia, Esq., *Morgan Brown & Joy LLP, Boston*

3:30 pm–3:45 pm

**Break**

3:45 pm–5:00 pm

**50 Tips from Employment Mediators and Arbitrators: Practical Insight on What Works, What Doesn't, and What We All Can Do Better!**

Who better to get advice from for your next arbitration or mediation but the people who conduct them?

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Bradley M. Honoroff, JD, *The Mediation Group, Inc., Brookline*

Mark L. Irvings, Esq., *Brookline*

Hon. Bonnie H. MacLeod, *Superior Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Ret.); JAMS, Boston*

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