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BREAKING NEWS: Keeping Up With COVID (Legal Updates Part 1)

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Session Description

2020 is a year like no other. Like the world, many of the most challenging issues facing human resources professionals have to do with the impact of COVID-19. The fact is that our labor and employment laws were not written with a pandemic in mind, and the laws, regulations and executive orders implemented in the last six months to address the pandemic were passed on the fly. These dynamics have created an uncertain climate with lots of potential land mines for employers.

Accordingly, in part one of our two-part legal update, we will focus on COVID-related topics including:

- Remote workers;
- High risk employees;

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- Family and medical leave;
- Return to work;
- Unemployment benefits; and
- Pandemic litigation trends.

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Speakers

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[Sean Jackson](#) | Lane Powell | Shareholder

Sean is a seasoned litigator who represents companies and entities in a variety of civil litigation, with an emphasis on employment and transportation matters.

Sean's employment practice includes the defense of public and private employers in claims of discrimination, harassment, retaliation, wrongful discharge, and wage and hour violations. He handles matters filed with state and federal agencies, such as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Washington Human Rights Commission and the Washington Employment Security Department.

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[Mike Kitson](#) | Lane Powell | Shareholder

Mike focuses his practice on defending and advising public entities and private companies in employment law matters. His approach to both advising and

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litigation is pragmatic and client-driven. Mike is always looking for ways to help clients avoid litigation, but is a dynamic and efficient advocate when litigation arises. Mike has extensive experience defending and resolving claims in state and federal courts for wrongful discharge, discrimination, accommodation, harassment, wage and hour law violations, and class actions. He also regularly conducts training on employment and labor law issues, civil rights, and public policy matters.

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[Miranda Strong](#) | Lane Powell | Counsel to the Firm

Miranda is a third-generation Alaskan focusing on compliance, litigation, government affairs and employment. Her success as an advisor stems from helping clients anticipate and navigate change. She has experience conducting investigations, risk-assessments and trainings — including on cybersecurity, harassment prevention and response and ethics and compliance. Miranda has worked in-house for an Alaska Native Corporation as well as for the State of Alaska Department of Law. She has handled administrative employment hearings;

designed and directed corporate compliance, records and information management, and export compliance programs; advised on Arctic, Alaska Native and energy public policy; and litigated trial and appellate cases.