

President Obama Amends Executive Order 11246 to Protect LGBT Workers of Government Contractors from Discrimination

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As the White House announced last month, President Obama signed yesterday an Executive Order that bans workplace discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (“LGBT”) workers of federal contractors. Executive Order 11246, issued by President Lyndon B. Johnson, prohibits federal contractors from discriminating “against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.” President Obama’s Executive Order adds sexual orientation and gender identity to the list of protected categories. According to White House staff, the amendment is effective immediately... [Continue Reading](#)