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Jennifer McDermott is an associate in the Labor & Employment Law Department and a member of the Employment Litigation & Arbitration Practice Group, the Wage and Hour Practice Group, and the Class and Collective Action Practice Group. Jennifer defends employers in a variety of labor and employment matters in both state and federal courts, including wage and hour single-plaintiff lawsuits and class, collective, and Private Attorneys General Act (PAGA) representative actions. In addition to her wage and hour work, Jennifer defends employers in single-plaintiff wrongful termination, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation cases, and in employment arbitrations. Jennifer is also a contributor to Proskauer's California Employment Law Blog.

Jennifer received her B.A. from UCLA, where she graduated *summa cum laude* and was elected Phi Beta Kappa, and she earned her J.D. from UCLA School of Law. While in law school, Jennifer completed a judicial externship for the Honorable Richard A. Paez of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit. She also served as a legal writing advisor to first-year students and worked as a legal advocate at the Lanterman Special Education Law Clinic. Jennifer received a Dean's Merit Scholarship, the B. Epstein and C. Kim Tax Law Scholarship, and two Masin Family Academic Excellence Gold Awards for the highest grade in Legal Research & Writing and Disability Law.

Jennifer was selected to be a Protégée for Proskauer's Women's Sponsorship Program, an initiative for high-performing, midlevel associates that champions future leaders. She was also selected to participate in Starbucks Diversity Mentorship Program and previously participated in Proskauer's Mentorship Circle Program, both of which are programs designed to enhance the development of diverse associates.

Practices

Wage and Hour, Labor & Employment, Class & Collective Actions, California Employment Law, Employment Litigation, Employment Counseling, Training & Pay Equity, Discrimination, Harassment & Title VII

Education

University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, J.D.
University of California, Los Angeles, B.A.
Summa Cum LaudePhi Beta Kappa

Admissions & Qualifications

California

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
U.S. District Court, California, Central District
U.S. District Court, California, Eastern District
U.S. District Court, California, Northern District
U.S. District Court, California, Southern District