

Partner Jason Weiss Joins Sheppard Mullin Orange County

Latest Addition Continues Firm's Labor & Employment Practice Group Growth

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Jason A. Weiss has joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm's Labor and Employment practice group, based in the firm's Orange County office. Weiss joins from Allen Matkins in Orange County.

"Jason is a highly-regarded employment law specialist and litigator, whose background and expertise is an excellent fit with us. We continue to grow cornerstone practice groups like Labor and Employment and expand our capabilities to better serve clients. Jason is a terrific attorney and we welcome him to the firm," said Guy N. Halgren, chairman of Sheppard Mullin.

"I am excited to join Sheppard Mullin. I am impressed with the firm's top-notch employment practice, as well as the strength and breadth of the firm's other practice areas. Sheppard Mullin's successful expansion and entrepreneurial culture have also been very attractive to me," Weiss commented.

"We are extremely enthusiastic about Jason joining us in Orange County and in the practice group. He adds additional strength to our robust group. We look forward to working with him and growing the practice further," said Greg S. Labate, co-chair of Sheppard Mullin's Labor and Employment practice group.

Weiss specializes in representing employers, from multinational corporations to start-ups, on a wide variety of employment and labor relations matters, ranging from wrongful termination and unfair competition lawsuits to preventive counseling and advice. His employment litigation experience includes handling cases at the trial and appellate levels of both state and federal courts and in arbitration. Weiss also represents management in: wage/hour matters before the U.S. Department of Labor and the California Labor Commissioner, discrimination claims filed with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing, Sarbanes-Oxley Act whistleblower claims, unemployment insurance claims, and Section 132a discrimination petitions filed with the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.

Weiss' preventive counseling practice includes the drafting and implementation of employee handbooks, workplace policies and employment contracts. He has also guided employers through reduction-in-force programs, including compliance with state and federal laws such as the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act ("WARN"). Weiss regularly conducts in-house training seminars and workshops for clients, and provides day-to-day counseling and advice.

Weiss received his J.D. from the University of Southern California, Gould School of Law and a B.A. from the University of Vermont.

Two weeks ago Sheppard Mullin added partner Dawn Lurie to the Labor and Employment practice group in Washington, D.C. Lurie joined as leader of the firm's Business Immigration and Compliance practice.

Sheppard Mullin's Labor and Employment practice group includes 90 attorneys firmwide. The firm has 60 attorneys based in its Orange County office.

Attorneys

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Practice Areas

Labor and Employment