

Brittany Barrientos Talks New OSHA Vaccine Mandate in *Kansas City Business Journal*

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The new OSHA vaccine mandate has been a much-discussed topic, and business leaders need to know how to comply. The rule was promulgated on November 5 as an emergency temporary standard that lasts for six months and applies to businesses with 100 or more employees. In an article published on November 10, Partner Brittany Barrientos discusses the rule that could be in place before the six-month temporary rule lapses.

Barrientos notes that even if the temporary standard is shot down in court, the process has already been started by OSHA to implement a permanent final rule.

“That comment period is open right now, so anyone who’s interested should be providing comment in that time period,” said Barrientos. “They’re making the record to support a final rule before the 180 days lapses (on the temporary rule). They issued it as what’s called an interim final rule. They did that so that they could have a rule-making docket and that comments could be accepted on it, and they can then use those comments to finalize a rule before the expiration of the emergency temporary standard. That’s what businesses should expect.”

In addition to assisting clients with environmental, health and safety regulatory requirements, Barrientos serves on the Stinson Covid-19 Task Force, which continues to evaluate and monitor litigation filed nationwide regarding changing regulations.

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