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Practice Areas

Labor & Employment

Education

UCLA School of Law, J.D., 1989

- *UCLA Law Review*, Associate Editor
- *Federal Communications Law Journal*, Editor-in-Chief

University of Michigan, A.B. (Political Science and Theatre Arts), 1986

Professional Affiliations

Los Angeles County Bar Association,
Labor & Employment Law Section

State Bar of California, Labor & Employment
Law Section

Bar Admissions

State Bar of California

United States Court of Appeals
for the Ninth Circuit

Experience

Kelly Coleman is Senior Counsel to the firm and a member of the firm's Labor & Employment Group. Ms. Coleman represents and advises employers in all aspects of California and federal employment law, in both litigation and advisory capacities. She has defended a wide variety of businesses and their principals in disputes alleging harassment, discrimination, retaliation, wrongful termination, and violation of wage and hour laws. She also advises employers with respect to all aspects of the employment relationship, from company policies and employment agreements, to for-cause terminations, reductions in force and severance agreements.

Prior to concentrating her practice in the labor and employment arena, Ms. Coleman spent many years practicing exclusively in the music industry, where she represented and advised high-profile talent and music entrepreneurs in all manner of industry activity, including recording, publishing and merchandise deals, endorsements and sponsorships, personal appearances, management relationships, and rights clearance. She also served as tour legal counsel for multiple touring festivals, negotiating the full spectrum of requisite artist, venue, vendor, and transportation contracts.

Ms. Coleman's prior practice also included extensive experience litigating cases in a wide variety of commercial settings, including entertainment, real estate, and construction, and involving legal issues ranging from copyright, right of publicity and breach of contract, to partnership dissolution, construction defects, and developer liability.