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Michele Ballard Miller Shareholder

With 30 years' experience practicing exclusively in the area of labor and employment law, Ms. Miller represents management in the full range of litigation, from wrongful termination to sexual harassment and disability discrimination. Ms. Miller also provides strategic advice on employment risk management and is a frequent lecturer on employment issues for clients and outside groups.

Education

J.D., 1982 – University of California, Hastings College of the Law; San Francisco, CA

A.B., 1978 – University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI

Prior Law Firm Affiliations

Crosby Heafey Roach & May (now Reed Smith)

Pillsbury Madison & Sutro (now Pillsbury Winthrop)

Professional Recognition

Named a "Top Labor & Employment Lawyer in California" for 2013 by the *Daily Journal*

AV Preeminent Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Selected to the Northern California Super Lawyers list each year since 2004

Named to *The Recorder's* 2012 "Women Leaders in the Law"

Publications

"The Road to Independence: 101 Women's Journeys to Starting Their Own Law Firms," Contributing Author (Published by the ABA's Commission on Women in the Profession)

Affiliations and Activities

Chair, Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Employment Practice and Workplace Liability Committee (2012-2013)

Board of Advisors, Project for Attorney Retention (PAR)

Speaking Engagements

August 2013, FDCC Annual Meeting: "Using Real-World Laws to Navigate the Virtual World of Employee Internet Activity"

March 2013, DRI Women in the Law Seminar: "Is There a Science to Law Firm Management and Does Six Sigma Apply?"

March 2013, FDCC Winter Meeting: "The Young and the Restless: Gen Y'ers in the Workplace! Are You Prepared?"

October 2012, NAMWOLF Annual Meeting: "Accommodating Mental Disabilities: Managing Real Life Challenges Within the Law"

May 2012, ACC-SFBA: "Essentials for Startups: A Legal Toolkit for In-House Counsel"

Bar Admissions

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