

Program 10: “**Mawwiage is what bwings us togethew today**” – the fact and effect of marriage in non-family law matters

Presented by: Employment and Business Sections



Corrine Bielejeski

Corrine Bielejeski owns East Bay Bankruptcy Law & Financial Planning in Brentwood, California. She served as law clerk to the Hon. Edward D. Jellen (Ret.) in the Oakland Bankruptcy Court before entering private practice. She is a CEB update author, co-editor of the Contra Costa Lawyer magazine, and regularly speaks on bankruptcy issues.



Christina Weed

Christina Weed is one of fewer than 300 attorneys (out of more than 266,000 attorneys in California) who is certified as a tax specialist by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization.

Christina handles matters through trial, and has experience litigating in federal and state court, as well as before federal and state tax tribunals.

Christina has authored several articles published by the Contra Costa Lawyer Magazine, and the Tax Lawyer for the California Bar. She has spoken for Spidell and CalCPA Society, as well as other local bar association events.



Maggie Grover

Over 30 years of experience in resolving employment law matters, consulting with corporations and senior executives on employment law matters, and drafting employment agreements, employee handbooks, trade secret agreements, and employment policies. She regularly provides training on wide variety of workplace topics, including prevention of harassment, building diversity in the workplace, accommodating disabilities in the work environment,

preventing and responding to workplace violence, complying with California wage and hour laws, and avoiding employment claims.



Pamela Woodside

Pamela E. Woodside has over 20 years of experience practicing law, and has served as second chair in jury and court trials as well as arbitrations. She practices before all state and federal courts in California and all employment-related regulatory agencies.

Before joining Littler, Pamela was assistant general counsel, labor and employment law, for a national Fortune 500 retailer. Prior to her in-house role, she spent 18 years in private practice focusing on labor and employment, including EPLI; professional liability (lawyer malpractice defense as well as defense of architects and real estate professionals); and complex commercial litigation claims.



Luis Montes

My previous experience operating my own business sets me apart from many other savvy business lawyers – what they know in theory, I know from experience. I have dealt with the everyday challenges that arise in managing a business, and know the expense and disruption which accompanies business disputes and hiring legal services. The guidance I offer to my clients is steeped in the knowledge I gained through experience, and allows me to present my clients with practical options I have previously applied with success.



Moderator: Marta Vanegas

Marta R. Vanegas works at the California Department of Justice as a Deputy Attorney General for the Employment and Administrative Mandate Unit, representing state agencies in employment lawsuits and administrative writ proceedings. Marta earned her law degrees from the University of California—Davis School of Law and from ELTE University of Budapest, Hungary. Marta also has an LL.M. in International Business Law. Prior to serving at the Attorney General’s Office, Marta practiced employment and civil rights litigation at her eponymous firm, Vanegas Law Group.