

## NAMWOLF Labor & Employment Law Practice Area Committee New Co-Chair Announcement

We would like to announce the selection of Lisa Hamasaki of the Miller Law Group, San Francisco, CA, and Danielle Linert of Giffin & Kaminski, Cleveland, OH, as the new Co-chairs of the NAMWOLF Labor & Employment Law Practice Area Committee (“L&E PAC”), effective September 24, 2014.

Lisa (Opportunities, Programs & Events) and Danielle (Marketing, Branding & External) were both subcommittee co-chairs and did a terrific job in the last year.

Lisa has extensive experience defending and advising clients with regard to all aspects of employment law including discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination, retaliation, whistleblower, defamation, leaves of absence and wage and hour claims. She has practiced exclusively in management-side labor and employment law for over 16 years and is a shareholder at Miller Law Group, a California employment law firm with offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles that has devoted its practice exclusively to representing business in all aspects of California employment law and related litigation. Lisa is active in firm management and chairs the firm’s diversity committee. She is active in NAMWOLF as a speaker on employment law topics, annual meeting planning, and in the Expo committee, and has attended every NAMWOLF annual and multiple business meetings since 2007. She has also been very involved in leading our PAC’s efforts in the CLE arena, pulling together pitch materials, and organizing the PAC’s upcoming webinar series.

Danielle is a partner with Giffin & Kaminski, LLC, a Cleveland based women owned law firm specializing in business litigation matters including financial services, employment and real estate. She has been practicing management-side employment law for nearly 20 years. Prior to moving to Ohio 8 years ago, she practiced law in Massachusetts where, among other things, she acted as the Director for Employment Law & Litigation for Shaw’s and Star Supermarkets (now owned by SuperValu) and worked in-house as employment counsel at Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. She is also certified by the Ohio State Bar Association as a Labor & Employment Specialist. She has experience leading other L&E groups for the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and is Chair of the L&E Section of the CMBA for 2014-2015. She has been instrumental in leading our PAC’s efforts in creating and organizing the lunch speaker at the recent Business Meeting, the Roundtable CLE Event at the Annual Meeting, the PAC Pitch Book, the two-page Marketing Flyer and PAC Map.

The NAMWOLF Labor and Employment Practice Area Committee is a national network of responsive, highly skilled attorneys. The L&E PAC attorneys have experience delivering high quality services in the labor and/or employment arena including, but not limited to, litigation and advice for claims of discrimination, retaliation, whistle blowing, harassment, FMLA, FLSA, ERISA, wage and hour, class actions, trade secret, affirmative action, immigration, Sarbanes-Oxley, ERISA and OSHA compliance, Service Contract Act compliance, OFCCP and DOL audits, union negotiations and arbitrations, training, counseling, drafting employee handbooks and policies, and internal investigations. Through the L&E PAC, NAMWOLF fosters relationships between its member law firms and employers seeking strategic, cost effective litigation strategies, practical workplace solutions, value, and results.