

COVID-19 Litigation Continuing to Grow and Evolve

As local economies reopen, COVID-19-related litigation continues to evolve. The number of workplace suits alleging failure to protect workers, customers, and vendors, or alleging actual coronavirus exposure, has steadily increased. Plaintiffs are increasingly relying on a public nuisance theory to support such challenges and have also begun alleging harms to third parties such as family members.

Allegations related to COVID-19 are assuming prominence even in more traditional types of claims such as employment discrimination – with plaintiffs alleging the pandemic was used as a pretext for wrongful termination – and securities fraud, where complaints allege the pandemic exacerbated the impact of traditional securities violations.

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