

Kelley Drye to Host Complimentary CLE Seminar on LGBT Rights in the Workplace

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On November 5, 2015, Kelley Drye will host an afternoon seminar at its New York office, addressing discrimination against LGBT individuals in the workplace. The seminar will be presented by Kelley Drye partners **Barbara Hoey** and **Mark Konkel**, joined by partner **Anne Clark** of Vladeck, Raskin & Clark, P.C, who will provide perspective from the plaintiff's point of view. Click here to register.

With the right to same-sex marriage established, the workplace is likely the next civil rights frontier. While Title VII does not expressly prohibit discrimination against LGBT individuals, the EEOC has won favorable Title VII decisions based on "sexual stereotyping" allegations. The DOJ and the OFCCP are also backing such theories, while Congress considers federal legislation protecting the LGBT population.

The seminar will focus on key issues employers face when balancing obligations to their business and employees such as:

- Receive an update on both state and federal litigation relating to LGBT workplace discrimination.
- Review the states and localities which have passed legislation, and the status of pending legislation.
- Get tips on how to revise employer discrimination and harassment policies to reflect the evolving landscape, such as the latest guidance on the "exterior issue."
- Review the EEOC latest activity and guidance.
- Learn how sexual stereotyping has been used as a theory in cases involving both transgender and gay employees.
- Find out how the right to same-sex marriage will impact the employee benefits arena.
- Discuss real-life cases, and how HR can devise practical solutions to resolve conflicts between and among employees with divergent or more "conservative" viewpoints.

Click here for more information. Click here to register for this complimentary CLE program.