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Jennifer McDermott is an associate in the Labor & Employment Law Department and a member of the Employment Litigation & Arbitration Practice Group and Wage and Hour Practice Group. Jennifer defends employers in a variety of labor and employment matters in both state and federal courts, including wage and hour single-plaintiff lawsuits and class, collective, and Private Attorneys General Act (PAGA) representative actions. In addition to her wage and hour work, Jennifer defends employers in single-plaintiff wrongful termination, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation cases, and in labor arbitrations. Jennifer is also a contributor to Proskauer's [California Employment Law Blog](#).

Jennifer received her B.A. from UCLA, where she graduated *summa cum laude* and was elected Phi Beta Kappa, and she earned her J.D. from UCLA School of Law. While in law school, Jennifer completed a judicial externship for the Honorable Richard A. Paez of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit. She also served as a legal writing advisor to first-year students and worked as a legal advocate at the Lanterman Special Education Law Clinic. Jennifer received a Dean's Merit Scholarship, the B. Epstein and C. Kim Tax Law Scholarship, and two Masin Family Academic Excellence Gold Awards for the highest grade in Legal Research & Writing and Disability Law.

Practices

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Wage and Hour, Labor & Employment, Class & Collective Actions, California  
Employment Law, Employment Litigation, Employment Counseling, Training & Pay  
Equity, Discrimination, Harassment & Title VII

#### Education

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University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, J.D.

University of California, Los Angeles, B.A.

*Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa*

#### Admissions & Qualifications

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California

#### Court Admissions

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U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court, California, Central District

U.S. District Court, California, Eastern District

U.S. District Court, California, Northern District

U.S. District Court, California, Southern District