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OVERVIEW

Cassidy Stewart is an associate and a member of the firm's Labor, Employment, and Workplace Safety practice. Cassidy has litigation experience in a number of areas, including single-plaintiff employment disputes, wage and hour litigation, commercial contract disputes, and intellectual property rights. She has represented clients in litigation involving claims for employment discrimination, wrongful termination, wage and hour violations, disputes over commission payments, breach of contract, trade secret misappropriation, and patent infringement.

Cassidy has experience in many phases of litigation, from analyzing and responding to demand letters all the way through preparing for trial. In particular, Cassidy drafts and responds to complaints, engages in written discovery and discovery-related motion practice, prepares for depositions, and engages in mediation and settlement negotiations as a regular part of her practice. Cassidy has been successful in obtaining summary judgment for her clients, as well as negotiating favorable settlements.

Cassidy has also worked with clients from a variety of industries, including biomedical research and testing, banking and financial services, real estate, advertising and media, software design, concession services, and nonprofit organizations. Cassidy also maintains an active pro bono practice, advocating for a variety of clients and underrepresented communities. Most recently, Cassidy successfully advocated for the right of sex trafficking victims to appear in a criminal proceeding under the Crime Victims Rights Act.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Cassidy served as a law clerk to the Honorable Ronald S.W. Lew at the US District Court for the Central District of California. She also has experience in drafting pro bono briefs and appellate oral argument from her clinical work during law school.

Cassidy served as Note and Comment Editor for the *Pepperdine Law Review* in 2020 and 2021. Cassidy graduated *magna cum laude* from Pepperdine Law in 2021.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Pepperdine University School of Law, 2021

- B.A., University of California, Irvine, 2018

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of California
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 11 July 2024, UPDATE: California Legislature Amends PAGA Statute Through Assembly Bill 2288 and Senate Bill 92
- 21 June 2024, PAGA Reform Proposal To Replace Ballot Measure
- 19 January 2024, California Supreme Court Allows Unmanageable PAGA Claims to Survive Challenge
- 22 February 2023 , Ninth Circuit Reversal Saves Employers' Use of Mandatory Arbitration Agreements in California

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Note, *Blurred Lines: How to Rationally Understand the “Rational Understanding” Doctrine After Madison v. Alabama*, 48 PEPP. L. REV. 497 (2021)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Labor, Employment, and Workplace Safety
- Commercial Disputes