California Hires Eric Holder as Legal Bulwark Against Donald Trump



Eric Holder

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Democratic leaders of the California Legislature announced Wednesday that they had hired Eric H. Holder Jr., who was attorney general under President Obama, to represent them in any legal fights against President-elect Donald J. Trump, **reports *The New York Times***.

"The decision by the Legislature to retain Mr. Holder, who is now a prominent Washington lawyer, is the latest sign of the ideological battle that may play out over the next four years between this predominantly Democratic state and Washington," writes **Adam Nagourney**. "Hillary Clinton, the Democratic candidate for president, defeated Mr. Trump by more than four million votes [in California]."

The report says Kevin de León, Democratic leader of the Senate, said he expected California to challenge Washington on issues including the environment, immigration and criminal justice.

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