

# Buchalter Welcomes Labor & Employment Shareholder Dawn Knepper

Dawn Knepper has joined **Buchalter** as a shareholder and member of the Labor & Employment Practice in the Orange County Office. Knepper joined Buchalter from Ogletree Deakins.

“We are thrilled to welcome Dawn to the firm and to our accomplished Labor and Employment Practice Group,” said Adam J. Bass, President and Chief Executive Officer of Buchalter.

Representing employers in employment law including litigation and counseling in both federal and state courts, Knepper has experience defending employers in a myriad of employment actions, including employment-related lawsuits and agency claims. Knepper’s experience includes successfully defending employers in both jury and bench trials and in arbitration proceedings including actions alleging discrimination, harassment, retaliation, and wrongful termination. Knepper advises employers concerning litigation avoidance, wage and hour laws, leaves of absence, employee discipline, hiring and termination issues, privacy claims, and other issues arising in the human resources context.

In a release, the firm said Knepper also has experience in assisting clients in planning and conducting reductions-in-force (RIFs) and multiple employee terminations, including evaluating issues and preparing materials relating to the WARN Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act.

“Buchalter’s full-service platform and superior resources offered the ideal opportunity and transition for my practice. I am confident that joining Buchalter – an innovative and full service firm – will allow me to strengthen my efforts in

successfully serving my client base,” said Knepper.

Knepper is a member of the Labor and Employment Law Sections of the American Bar Association, State Bar of California, and Orange County Bar Association, and the Employment Law Section of the Texas Bar Association. She is Board Certified in Labor and Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. Knepper earned her J.D. with honors from Golden Gate University School of Law in 2000 and her B.A. from the University of Texas, Austin in 1996.

“We are pleased to welcome Dawn to our Orange County office. Her talent and experiences contribute to the unmatched team of attorneys we have here at Buchalter,” said Martin P. Florman, Orange County Office Managing Partner.