

## Jessica Hawk

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### Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties

Litigation; Labor & Employment



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Jessica Hawk focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation. She has defended corporate and individual clients against claims involving fraud, unfair competition, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, financial products, and trade secrets misappropriation, and is experienced in consumer class action defense. Ms. Hawk has also defended large corporate clients in employment matters involving misclassification and wrongful termination claims. She routinely resolves class-based claims prior to litigation and has obtained the dismissal of class-based claims at the pleading stage and at class certification. In a recent representative matter, Ms. Hawk defeated class certification in a putative nationwide consumer class action on behalf of a large brewing company where she deposed the named plaintiff, managed fact and expert discovery, and drafted the opposition to class certification. Prior to joining Buchalter, Ms. Hawk spent several years of practice at a large international law firm.

### Publications

- Buchalter COVID-19 Client Alert: Cal/OSHA Emergency COVID-19 Workplace Safety Standard Takes Effect, December 4, 2020
- Buchalter COVID-19 Client Alert: Cal/OSHA Issues Interim General Guidelines on Protecting Workers from COVID-19 and Guidance Regarding COVID-19 Recording and Reporting Requirements, *Buchalter Client Alert*, June 1, 2020
- Buchalter Client Alert COVID-19: Considerations for Employers Bringing Employees Back to Work in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic, *Buchalter Client Alert*, May 11, 2020
- Buchalter Client Alert COVID-19: Local COVID-19 Related Emergency Sick Leave Ordinances in California: San Francisco and San Jose, *Buchalter Client Alert*, April 21, 2020
- Buchalter Client Alert COVID-19: Opposite Sides of the Table: Restaurants Seek Recovery From Insurers for Business Interruption in the Wake of COVID-19, *Buchalter Client Alert*, April 13, 2020

### Education

Jessica Hawk received her J.D. from the University of California, Davis School of Law in 2012, where she graduated Order of the Coif. While in law school, Ms. Hawk received an Excellence in Research and Writing award from the Continuing Education of the Bar for authoring the best appellate brief in the class of 2012, and an award for authoring the best brief in the Law School's intraschool moot court competition. She also served on the Moot Court Board and as an extern to Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye at the California Supreme Court. Ms. Hawk received her B.A. from the University of California, Santa Barbara in Law and Society, where she graduated with high honors and college honors.

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### Bar Admissions

- California