# Retail Industry Workplace Law Update – Winter 2022

By Mark S. Askanas January 3, 2022

### Meet the Authors



Mark S. Askanas Principal (415) 394-9400 Mark.Askanas@jacksonlewis.com

### **Related Services**

Alternative Dispute Resolution California Advice and Counsel California Class and PAGA Action Class Actions and Complex Litigation COVID-19 Disability, Leave and Health Management Employment Litigation Retail Workplace Safety and Health

### Class Action Trends Report

Jackson Lewis attorneys discuss the emerging class action risks that arise at this stage of the COVID-19 pandemic, as employers navigate return-to-work challenges including employee screening, mask and vaccine mandates, and the need for ongoing safety measures as the crisis persists.

### Read full report ...

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Key Takeaways for Employers President Joe Biden signed the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act into law.

### Read full article ...

### Supreme Court to Consider Arguments on Pulling Plug on OSHA COVID-19 ETS

The U.S. Supreme Court has scheduled expedited arguments on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit's decision to lift the Fifth Circuit's stay of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Emergency Temporary Standard.

### Read full article ...

## End of California 2021 Legislative Session Brings New Laws Affecting California Employers

Governor Gavin Newsom has signed a number of bills that address wage and hour practices and other issues affecting California employers.

### Read full article ...

## U.S. Supreme Court to Review California Representative Action Waivers in Arbitration Agreements

The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to consider whether the Federal Arbitration Act requires enforcement of a bilateral arbitration agreement mandating that claims be brought on an individual basis and that employees may not bring representative claims, including claims under the California Private Attorneys General Act.

#### Read full article ...

### Massachusetts Updates Paid Family and Medical Leave Contribution Rates, Maximum Benefit Payment Limits for 2022

The Massachusetts Department of Family and Medical Leave has announced the employer contribution rates and benefit amounts under the state Paid Family and Medical Leave Act beginning January 1, 2022.

### Read full article ...

## Puerto Rico Supreme Court Rules Continued Employment is Valid Consent to an Arbitration Agreement

The Puerto Rico Supreme Court has confirmed that continued employment may be valid consent to mandatory employment arbitration agreements in a matter of first impression.

#### Read full article ...

Please contact a Jackson Lewis attorney if you have any questions about these developments.

©2022 Jackson Lewis P.C. This material is provided for informational purposes only. It is not intended to constitute legal advice nor does it create a client-lawyer relationship between Jackson Lewis and any recipient. Recipients should consult with counsel before taking any actions based on the information contained within this material. This material may be considered attorney advertising in some jurisdictions. Prior results do not guarantee a similar outcome.

Focused on employment and labor law since 1958, Jackson Lewis P.C.'s 1,000+ attorneys located in major cities nationwide consistently identify and respond to new ways workplace law intersects business. We help employers develop proactive strategies, strong policies and business-oriented solutions to cultivate high-functioning workforces that are engaged and stable, and share our clients' goals to emphasize belonging and respect for the contributions of every employee. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.jacksonlewis.com">https://www.jacksonlewis.com</a>.