

PRIVILEGED DEI COMPLIANCE AUDITS

FordHarrison offers a menu of services to assist employers with the design, implementation and legal assessment of voluntary Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Initiatives.

BASELINE ASSESSMENT

- Conduct a comprehensive review of DEI initiatives, including:
 - o diversity- related workplace policies, written communications and training materials;
 - o initiatives stemming from employee resource groups, including each group's charter;
 - o development of and strategies for achieving voluntary diversity goals;
 - o implementation of diverse interview slates; and
 - o policies and practices related to professional development programs.
- Perform a risk assessment audit that analyzes internal and external complaints and employee concerns related to DEI initiatives.

PRIVILEGED ANALYTICS AND ASSESSMENTS

- Implement an analytical approach to the development and implementation of voluntary diversity goals, strategic recruiting and professional development opportunities;
- Partner with trusted outside experts to conduct privileged diversity audits and pay equity analyses;
- Advise on the development and performance of cultural climate surveys;
- Counsel clients on compliance with federal and state laws related to DEI programs, initiatives, and metrics, including best practices;
- Evaluate DEI programs for legal risks and advise on risk-reduction measures; and
- Conduct privileged statistical assessment to determine whether:
 - applicant pools and hires mirror both internal and external availability by race and gender;
 and
 - whether any groups have been disadvantaged as a result of the organization's DEI efforts.

CUSTOMIZED LEADERSHIP TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

- Talking points for addressing board members, executives, and managers regarding:
 - o organization's commitment to DEI;
 - strategies for insulating the organization from attacks on its DEI initiatives; and
 - o parameters related to compliance with OFCCP Affirmative Action obligations, if applicable.
- Education for managers and employees regarding DEI compliance, including heightened knowledge and understanding of others through Unconscious Bias and Respect in the Workplace workshops:
- Education for human resources professionals, recruiters and managers to ensure employment decisions are made on the basis of business-related criteria and the lawful implementation of DEI initiatives: and
- FordHarrison Diversity Webinar Series for Management and Employees.

Please contact a member of the FordHarrison Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Audit (FH DEIA) Taskforce, the FordHarrison attorney you typically work with, or clientservice@fordharrison.com to request a customized DEI Audit.

