

Clarence Belnavis Named Managing Partner of Fisher Phillips' Portland Office

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PORTLAND (September 13, 2019) – Fisher Phillips, a national labor and employment law firm representing employers, announced today that Clarence M. Belnavis has been named Managing Partner of the firm's Portland office. He reassumes the role after serving as Managing Partner of the Portland office from 2007 to 2009.

Fisher Phillips Chairman and Managing Partner Roger Quillen said, "As the needs of our clients and lawyers evolve, we regularly review and change office leadership across the country. Clarence is an excellent lawyer and business partner and has the proven experience in serving our clients and guiding our lawyers and professionals in Portland. I have every confidence that his unwavering commitment to the success of the firm and our clients will help him continue to build our Portland office."

Clarence said: "I am honored to take on this position at such an exciting time for our firm. Fisher Phillips is growing rapidly across the country and our Portland office plays a key role in providing critical labor and employment counsel to our clients in the Pacific Northwest."

At Fisher Phillips, Clarence is a trial attorney who defends his clients in all aspects of employment litigation, from disability and discrimination claims to wrongful discharge. When not in the courtroom, he focuses on preventing his clients from getting there. Clarence provides counseling and trainings on managing disability and return to work issues, updating employee handbooks and implementing termination policies and procedures.

Clarence is admitted to practice in Oregon and Washington and currently serves as the chair of the Labor and Employment Section for the Oregon State Bar. He has been listed in *Chambers USA* since 2006 and *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2009. Clarence has been recognized as a leader in his local communities, having been named Portland's "Top 40 Under 40" by *The Portland Business Journa*l and honored as a "Convocation on Equality Champion" by the Oregon State Bar for his work in advocating for a more diverse workforce across the country. He earned his undergraduate degree from Florida Atlantic University and his J.D. from Howard University School of Law.

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