

Webinar on

Independent Contractors: Issues, Practices, and Steps to Successfully and Legally Staff Your Company

#### **Learning Objectives** Clarify the definition of an independent contractor Explain obligations for employers in determining the classification of a worker as an independent contractor Enumerate practical tests to determine independent contractor status under various governmental agencies and states including Internal Revenue Service, Department of Labor, state laws, and workers' compensation *Identify legal, tax, and other serious* consequences for misclassification of *independent contractors* Define situations when an independent contractor may be appropriate for your business needs Explain proactive steps to ensure the proper and effective use of independent contractors

This training session will explain not only employer obligations but also how to make the best decision so that you stay within the bounds of the myriad of laws and regulations that exist on this topic.

#### PRESENTED BY:

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**Duration: 60 Minutes** 

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## **Webinar Description**

Companies meet their staffing needs by using a variety of arrangements. Besides the hiring of traditional employees, employers can use contingent employees such as temporary employees, seasonal employees, and leased workers hired through temporary staffing agencies. A growing number of companies are leveraging independent contractors, especially because a larger percentage of the workforce is preferencing "gig" or temporary work without being hired as a traditional, regular employee.

While the decision to hire an independent contractor may seem like a "no-brainer," the wrong decision can result is extensive costs to the company. Join us in this session to learn how to hire independent contractors successfully and legally by understanding practical matters, legal issues, and proactive steps.



### **Who Should Attend?**

HR professionals, all levels
Leaders, Managers, and Supervisors
Project Managers
Payroll Specialists — managers, supervisors, and administrators
Small- and medium-sized business owners



# Why Should Attend?

If you're thinking about bringing hiring an independent contractor for your team or organization, you need to first understand the obligations that you as the employer must fulfill before that person starts any work. If you already have independent contractors working for your company, then now is the time to reassess their proper classification as a contingent worker.

Misclassifying a worker as an independent contractor instead of an employee can mean tax, workers' compensation, wage and hour, and several other costs and possible penalties. In some jurisdictions, the status of proper classification and costs does not start in the present time but is actually applied retroactively.



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