Hotel Law on NPR: Labor & Employment Partner Travis Gemoets talks about human trafficking and hotels

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Earlier this month, JMBM Partner Travis Gemoets was featured in a segment on Southern California National Public Radio affiliate KPCC’s Airtalk with Larry Mantle. The segment explored recent lawsuits filed against major hotel chains regarding their responsibility to detect and report human trafficking happening in their properties.

Travis discussed how training employees to recognize the signs of human trafficking, as well as how to report their concerns, can be an effective tool in helping hotels confront this issue as well as minimize their legal liability. You can listen to the full segment online through the KPCC website.

In California, hotel owners are required to provide at least 20 minutes of training and education about human trafficking to employees who are likely to encounter victims. More information about this requirement can be found in our Legislative Update. JMBM’s labor and employment lawyers have represented the hospitality industry for decades and can provide effective training for employees, as well as develop policies and procedures that protect employers who are implementing programs in human trafficking awareness.

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