

## RetailLawBCLP

## **ELECTION DAY: TIME OFF TO VOTE REQUIREMENTS**

Nov 04, 2016

Election Day is less than a week away and employees may have begun already requesting time off to go to the polls. The law varies state-by-state for when employers must honor these requests and grant employees voting leave. It is important to know the laws in your state, as certain states can subject the employer to civil or even criminal liability for failing to comply.

Please click **here** to view a summary of employers' obligations to provide employees with time off to vote in the following eight states: **Arizona**, **California**, **Colorado**, **Georgia**, **Illinois**, **Missouri**, **New York**, and **Texas**. Each of these states has a law that governs which employees must be given time off, whether advance notice is required, and whether this time must be paid. This list is non-exhaustive and focuses on states where our firm has offices.

Florida, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Washington DC do not have specific laws requiring employers to give employees time off to vote.

For information about states not covered in the chart as well as any other questions about voting requirements, please contact an attorney in the Labor and Employment practice group or your regular Bryan Cave LLP contact.

## **MEET THE TEAM**



Merrit M. Jones

San Francisco
<a href="mailto:merrit.jones@bclplaw.com">merrit.jones@bclplaw.com</a>
+1 415 675 3435

This material is not comprehensive, is for informational purposes only, and is not legal advice. Your use or receipt of this material does not create an attorney-client relationship between us. If you require legal advice, you should consult an attorney regarding your particular circumstances. The choice of a lawyer is an important decision and should not be based solely upon advertisements. This material may be "Attorney Advertising" under the ethics and professional rules of certain jurisdictions. For advertising purposes, St. Louis, Missouri, is designated BCLP's principal office and Kathrine Dixon (kathrine.dixon@bclplaw.com) as the responsible attorney.